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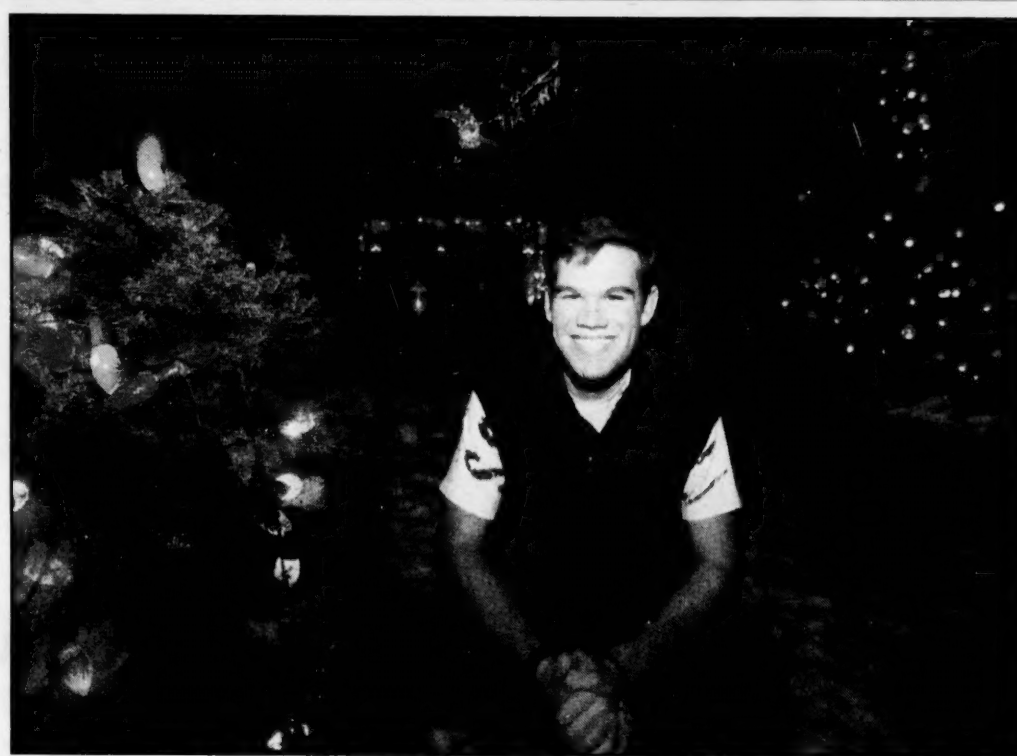


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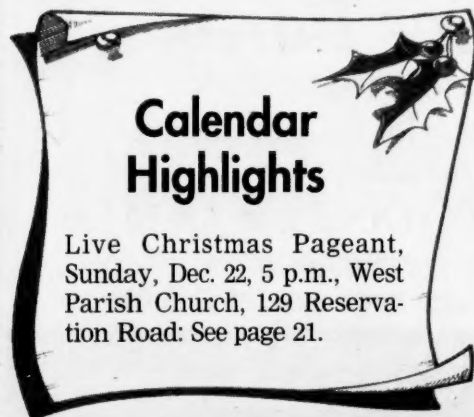
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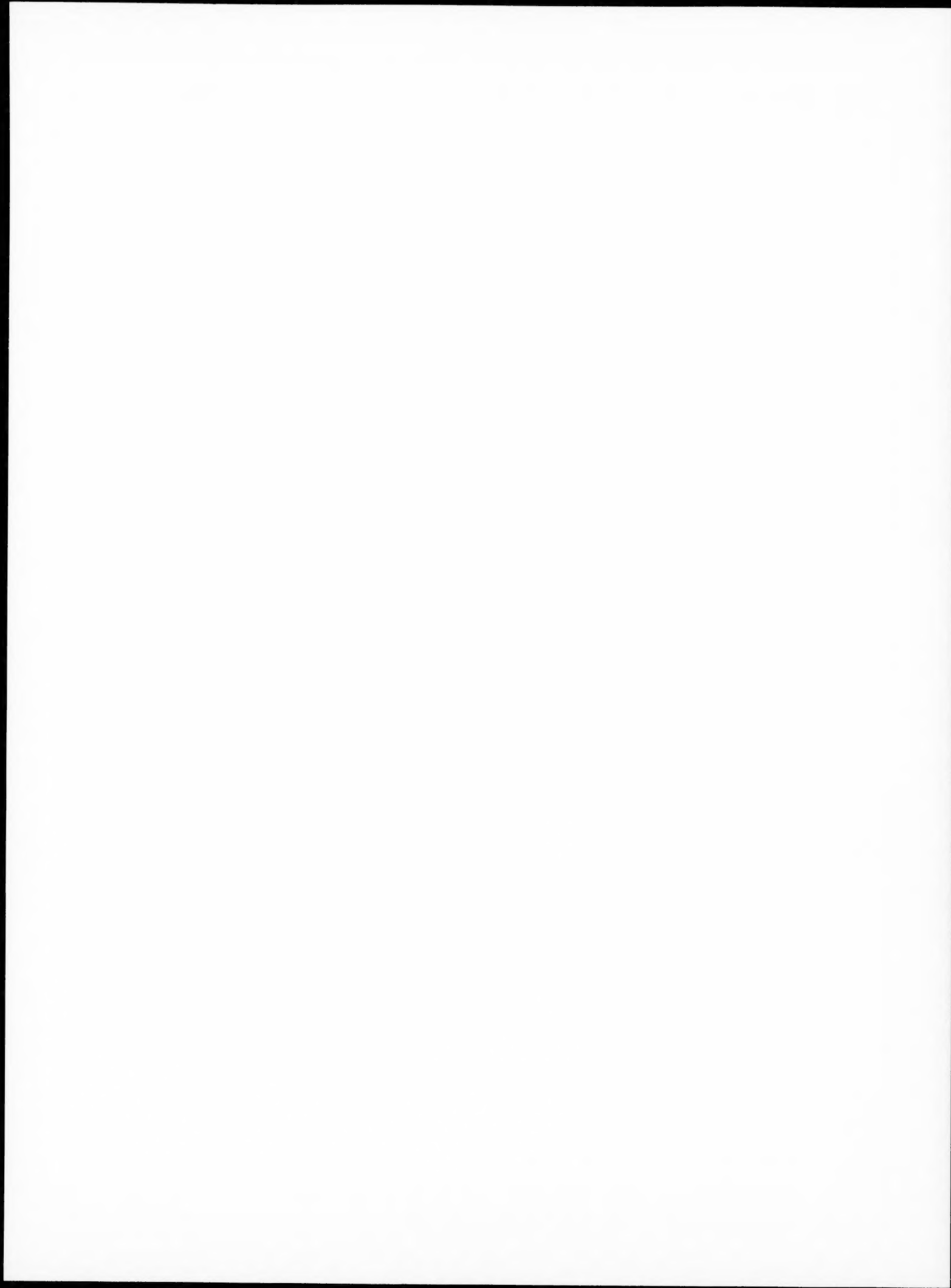
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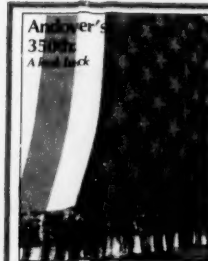
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Captain of his kitchen

By Neil Fater

Stephen James, the chef and sole owner of Backstreet...Again restaurant, has cooked on land, on sea, and even when things are up in the air.

Take the first time he cooked for a restaurant. At the time he was only about 13 years old and working as a dishwasher.

"I always volunteered to wash the pots because it was right next to the cook's line. I would watch what they were doing," says Mr. James, whose Italian grandmother also taught him about cooking.

No chefs

One day the chefs didn't show up and the owner didn't know what to do.

"She was in the office all upset. I kept saying, 'I could do it. I could do it.' Finally, they had no other choice," says Mr. James.

So Stephen James cooked that day - and 21 years later he's still cooking. Now, however, he owns his own Essex Street restaurant.

"There's a lot of headaches but it's nice to be working for yourself," says Mr. James. "There's a lot of headaches, but some day it will pay off."

Presumably, Mr. James hopes some of his ideas to change Backstreet will pay off, too. He plans to offer new entertainment, update his menu with lighter entrees, and launch a catering service.

"I was really anxious to take over. It was something I had always wanted to do since I was 10 or 11 and first started cooking," he says. "I was too

much in amazement to be nervous."

One pound if by land, two tons if by sea

But Mr. James says running Backstreet is a "different ballgame" from his previous job as an executive chef for cruise lines.

One of the key differences is the amount of food needed. To prepare for a week-long cruise, "There would be tractor trailers full of food," he says.

Just the area used for storing the cruise food was four or five times the size of Backstreet, says Mr. James. For a seven-day cruise, he says he'd go through 3,500 pounds of beef, 2,500 pounds of chicken, 1,000 pounds of veal, 28,000 eggs, 7,000 pounds of flour and 500 gallons of milk.

He admits he was nervous when he first decided to bring his wok to the water.

"It was the longest plane ride of my life, that first plane ride from Boston to West Palm Beach," says Mr. James. "It was a whole different thing I had never experienced."

His first day, Mr. James arrived at the docks around 2:30 p.m., his ship sailed at 4 p.m. and, suddenly, he was responsible for 10,000 meals.

Mr. James says he was more excited than anything else when he finally became the owner of his own restaurant in January.

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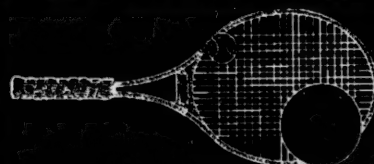
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NEWS IN BRIEF

Census being mailed

The annual Town Census will be mailed the middle of January.

Anyone leaving town for an extended period should contact the town clerk's office at 623-8200 so that they will not be dropped from the census rolls.

The Town Census is the only legal way the Town Clerk can verify residency. Increasingly the Town Clerk's Office is receiving requests for residency verification especially for public school admittance. All registered voters must verify residency each year to remain on the voter rolls per state law.

1 more day for mittens

The Department of Community Services is sponsoring the Snowman Mitten/Hat Collection Program through Friday Dec. 20, to benefit the children and adults of Lazarus House in Lawrence. Mittens and hats can be dropped off at the town office building, Senior Center, middle and elementary schools and downtown area business-

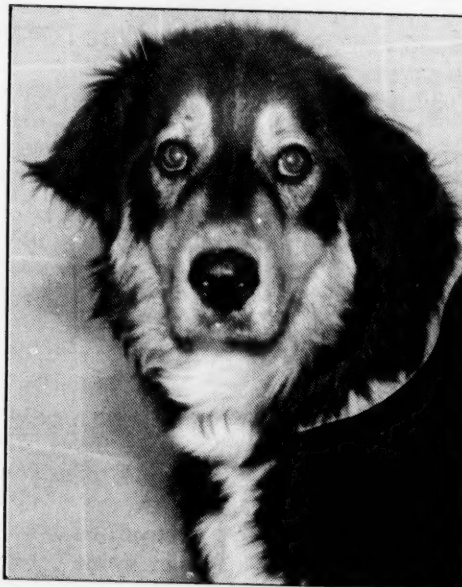


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This Burmese Mountain dog is a neutered male. He was found on River Road without tags or collar. If you're interested in adopting him, call Andover Animal Hospital at 475-3600.

es, such as McDonald's, Anton's Cleaners and BayBank.

For more information, call Maura Aumais at the DCS office at 623-8274.

January health clinics

Home Health VNA, a United Way-funded agency serving the Merrimack Valley and Southern New Hampshire, offers free elderly health clinics throughout the Merrimack Valley. Clinics will be held Monday, Jan. 13, at Andover Commons, and Monday, Jan.

27, at Frye Circle from 1 to 3 p.m. both days.

Call the health department at 623-8200 or Home Health VNA at 373-1141, Ext. 3150, for further information.

Council on Aging seeks volunteers

The Andover Council on Aging needs volunteers. You can forge new friendships in the Friendly Visitors Program; take a senior to the doctor in the Medical Transportation Program; or decorate parade floats and holiday parties as part of the decorating committee. Meetings are held at the Senior Center the last Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m.; call Olivia Scileppi at 623-8326 for details.

Want to write for the Townsman?

The Townsman is looking for an intern. The person must be able to work 20 hours a week on fact-checking, filing, reporting and other newspaper duties. Hours can be arranged to suit the intern.

Interns work closely with the editorial staff to learn what goes into a weekly newspaper. Interns must be at least college age. Students in college can usually arrange to receive credit for internships.

Call Editor Perry Colmore or Assistant Editor Jack Grady at 475-1943 for further information, or to arrange an interview.

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Recycling set for this Saturday

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"When I got the wish list for my kid it didn't have one toy on it," says Ms. Ellis.

Instead, the list was filled with necessities - mittens, socks and hats. Ms. Ellis decided she was going to buy everything on the list. But once she mentioned the program to her clients, everyone started giving her money to spend.

"I ended up getting \$150 from just my clients without anything from myself," she says. Later, another client gave her \$120 by herself, and Ms. Ellis was able to adopt three children for the holidays.

"I got everything on their clothes list plus a few more (pieces of clothing) and I was able to buy each of them five toys," she said. "It was wonderful that people were so generous to help me out with all this. These three little kids will be happy as clams on Christmas Day."

The workers at Ms. Ellis' shop and Samantha's Nail Place went out of their way for one item in particular, a pink Champion sweatshirt a little girl had asked for.

Employees searched everywhere including Kittery, Maine, and even called the corporate office, only to find out Champion no longer makes a pink sweatshirt. But Martha Pecket happened to own a pink sweatshirt she had only worn once and she happily gave it to the child.

Holy Time

Everyone always says home-made gifts are the most meaningful ones and Bud Connolly, who paints every Wednesday and Thursday morning at the Andover Senior Center, has a story to prove it.

His story involves Sister Louise, a 90-something nun at Lawrence's St. Patrick Parish, who has tried to learn to paint.

"I decided I would give her a Christmas present and I gave her a drawing of the Virgin Mary. She just stood there and tears were running down her face. I remember that fondly," he says.

"It was a religious picture and it was a nice drawing if I do say so," says Mr. Connolly, modestly explaining her reaction. "In one way, it was probably the only gift that she had received that someone had put so much work into."

Reunion

The holidays are often a time for reunions, as well, and not just between parent and child. Sometimes the reunion's between child and bear - at least that's what storyteller Susan Lenoe, of Andover Book Store, tells us.

"Last year there was a beautiful teddy bear, a girl teddy bear dressed in a cotton dress and it was left here. It was just left here in September," explains Ms. Lenoe. "We thought it was strange no one ever came back for it."

Once they found it, the staff members placed it on a shelf in case its owner ever happened by and spotted it. But no one ever said anything.

Then, on Christmas Eve, a woman came into the store and was shocked to see the bear sitting on the shelf.

"She started to cry and she said, 'There's Abigail,'" says Ms. Lenoe. "She said, 'This is my daughter's and she's been heartbroken since she lost it.' Everybody, all the staff here had little tears in their eyes."

The mother called the girl from the shop to tell her the good news. "So the family had a reunion on Christmas Eve with

Abigail," says Ms. Lenoe.

Illumination

Of course, some people don't have family around for the holidays. But some of them can rely on programs such as Meals on Wheels, which the Andover fire department takes over during Christmas Day.

"I think the best thing about delivering Meals on Wheels Christmas Day is getting to meet the elders," says Lt. Jim Cuticchia. "Firefighters bring a small present with the meal and a little light into their life. (But) a lot of times it works in reverse. They bring light into our lives."

Singing

For many, Christmas wouldn't be complete without the music. Ande Raymond, of Gavin Circle, says her experience with Andover Community Chorus helped her to break out of the hectic world of shopping and into the joy of the season.

"We went into the Hallelujah Chorus and people stood up and it touched me," she says. "It was a beautiful experience for me."

"It was people giving their whole best," she says. "We did it to benefit Friends in Need. Some of the other money also went to Habitat for Humanity."

Janet Caiati, of Meadowbrook Drive, says when she used to work for the schools, the late fall would mean it was time to start muttering the dreaded word, "budget."

But she says once the students started visiting other schools and singing carols all the negative talk was forgotten.

"It just threw you back into the meaning of the holidays," she says. "Maybe it lasted just that week or just that day, but you ended the year very up."

Tree

Ms. Caiati says some of her favorite Christmases were when she was the same age as those little carolers.

Every year her father would give her and her brothers a dollar to pick out a Christmas tree.

"We would go down and pick out what we thought was a gorgeous tree," she says. "Then we'd get home and my grandfather would get out his drill and he would drill holes in the trunk and insert branches."

"Christmas, back then, you really believed in magic. You really believed in it," says Ms. Caiati.

Magic

When you talk about Christmas magic around Andover, it's often a good idea to include a story from Paul Clinton, a long-time Santa's helper. Mr. Clinton, of Juliette Street, inherited his Santa status from his father and still wears his father's old suit every year.

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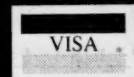
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The true meaning of Christmas

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Mr. Clinton credits his father with teaching him about the holiday while he and his brothers were visiting a local nursing home.

"He had us boys come up and begin to sing carols to these people and he began to talk about the real meaning of Christmas, even though he was dressed as Santa," says Mr. Clinton. "He showed me how to put it all together. Whenever I play Santa (I talk about how) Santa Claus represents the spirit of giving, which for me is what the season is all about."

Angelic behavior

Believe it or not, the Christmas spirit can reach everyone, including government officials and judges. Attorney Peter Caruso said judges actually do seem more sympathetic to worthy cases during the holidays.

"The courts certainly take into consideration the time of

the year," says Mr. Caruso. "You might get more of a response during the Christmas time of year. People are people."

"It's absolutely true. If you go through a court system the day before Christmas, you will probably see justice at its finest," he claims.

Spirit of giving

Fortunately, one can still find other people at their finest, too.

Members of the Quota International Club are giving gifts to nursing home residents who are not expected to receive any visitors on Christmas Day.

"The gifts that we give may be the only ones they receive," said Sue Adams, president of the Andover chapter of the Quota International Club. "No one is ever going to be able to say thank you but it's the whole spirit of giving wrapped up in one moment. To be a part of the community and to be able to give back is really a nice feeling."

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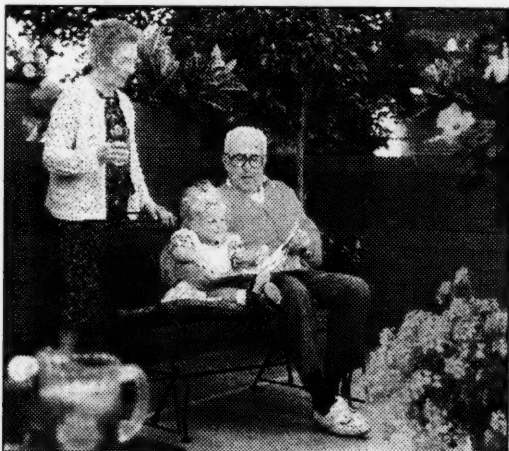


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Bad back? The Childs invented a remedy

By Monique Vallee

Necessity is the mother of invention. Or at least that's the case with the Outlook Design Corp., a husband-and-wife-owned team of Julie and Tom Childs of 244 Main St.

In their case, necessity was a cure for Ms. Childs' pulled back. The invention was the Backbar, a therapeutic tool they designed. It uses the principles of acupressure to alleviate back pain. Sound like a simple process? Well, it hasn't been. It's included a couple of ideas, a few frustrating setbacks, lots of doctors, dozens of prototypes, hundreds of letters and one old barn. Its history is a long one, but with 16 months of sales behind it, "It's been a real personal success," says Ms. Childs.

Before moving to Andover 12 years ago, Ms. Childs put her back out while moving a couch in their house in California's Bay Area. She spent years finding only temporary relief. Finally, in 1987, Ms. Childs went to see an acupuncturist. She found herself pain-free for the first time in seven years. "I was cured after just six visits," says Ms. Childs.

To alleviate the discomfort in between visits, she was told to go home



Photo by Monique Vallee

Tom and Julie Childs have designed a product to help ease the pain of sore backs.

and roll on two tennis balls in a sock. While this method proved helpful, she was frustrated that the balls never stayed aligned. She told her husband, "If we could just find a way to hold the

tennis balls in place."

Mr. Childs also had his share of minor back troubles, so together they came up with an idea. They wanted to create a product that worked like the

the tennis balls, but would remain aligned. They also decided to design it with features that would be adjustable and self-administering. "As a couple we came up with an idea and are doing it," says Ms. Childs.

Before beginning the design work, they went to the Boston Public Library to conduct a patent search. They found a lot of similar products. Some were made of wood. Some were made of rubber but were not adjustable. They found nothing that replicated theirs exactly. "We were very excited to come home and realize we had come up with something new," says Ms. Childs.

In January 1995 they began experimenting with different materials. They used the barn behind their house to develop crude prototypes. The first was with a child's T-ball. They found it was too small, so they tried a paddleball. They liked the size, but not the strength of the paddleball. It needed to be a little softer. Finally they discovered a solid rubber ball that worked perfectly. They contacted its manufacturer and added a velvety covering for comfort. This completed the "back" part of the Backbar.

For the Backbar's tube, the Childs

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It all began with Julie Child's injured back...

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agreed it needed something that would allow its user to adjust it to different sizes. They say that adjustability distinguishes it from similar products. Acupuncturist Susan Kane of Haverhill helped them design the structure. When they had precisely what they wanted, they hired Netco in Hudson to make the plastic tubing.

"Because people are different sizes, and spines are shaped differently," says Ms. Childs, "it took a lot of work to get the tolerances exactly right."

Assembling the Backbar produced another set of difficulties. They needed people to assemble the product. They talked with two different companies that didn't meet the requisite standards before they found Class Inc. in Lawrence. Class Inc., or Citizens League Adults Special Services, is an organization that employs mentally- and physically-challenged people. Their work has been wonderful, the

Childs say. The partnership has been "working out very well," says Ms. Childs. "They have great quality control and we have a lot of pride in their assembly work."

With the Backbar now complete, it was ready for public feedback. A friend who's a marketing professional, Gordon Nelson, also of Andover, helped conduct opinion surveys in shopping malls. They asked people about the Backbar's cost and color. They performed demonstrations and issued questionnaires about its effectiveness and overall rating. The surveys came back positive. The Childs found a "good need" for the Backbar. They now needed endorsement from one other important group - the medical community.

They manufactured hundreds of Backbars and distributed them to chiropractors, physical therapists, massage therapists, orthopedics and acupuncturists. The overall response

was overwhelming and approving, they say. It has since received written endorsements in publications such as *Running Times* and *Fitness Magazine*. The Childs felt encouraged enough to take the final step.

In March of 1995 they applied for a patent for the Backbar. In six months the approval came from Washington, D.C. The Backbar was now "patent pending." In August of that year they made their first sale.

Now, 16 months later, they are already hard at work developing their second product – the Spinebar. This is a similar, but smaller version of the Backbar. It has a target finish date of February 1997. The Spinebar offers a “greater range of versatility,” says Ms. Childs. “There is more impact on the para-spinal muscles. It is also good for a more petite individual. The balls are smaller and a little closer together.”

But why all the time and work? With three children, and Mr. Childs being a

designer/builder, isn't their time all spoken for? "We're both of the self-employed mentality," says Ms. Childs. "We've both had our share of back troubles and think a lot of other baby-boomers do."

Baby-boomers however, do not have the exclusive rights to back problems. Approximately 80 percent of the US population will suffer from some type of back trouble in their life, according to the Childs.

The Childs are careful to say that the Backbar "will probably not cure a back problem. It is not a substitute for medical treatment."

The Backbar is currently being sold in gift shops, in stores that specialize in products for the back, at trade shows and through mail-order catalogues. A person also can order the Backbar for \$24.95 by calling the Outlook Design Corporation, 1-800-818-BACK, or pick up one at The Earth Food Store on Chestnut Street.

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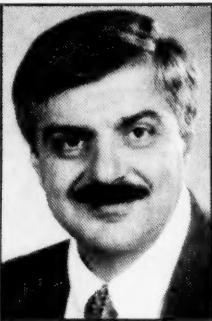
Garrett E. Ferris and Scott G. Weightman

Chief Harold J. Wright of the Andover Fire Department announces the graduation of Garrett E. Ferris and Scott G. Weightman from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's 55-day Recruit Firefighting Program on Nov. 22.

This "rigorous professional training," the chief calls it, provides newest firefighters with the basic skills to effectively and safely perform their jobs. The program is offered tuition free by the Massachusetts Fire Academy, a division of the Department of Fire Services.

Robert E. Buco

Robert E. Buco has joined First Essex Bank, FSB as vice president and retail market manager. Mr. Buco will be responsible for development and management of the retail branch banking network in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.



Robert E. Buco

Prior to joining First Essex, he was vice president and district manager for Shawmut Bank and its predecessor, Arlington Trust Company in the Merrimack Valley area, for 20 years. Mr. Buco lives in South Lawrence with his wife, Lorraine, and their two children.

Marcia Drew-Hohn

Marcia Drew-Hohn of Andover has been selected as one of five outstanding educators from across the country to be awarded a Literacy Leader Fel-

lowship from the National Institute for Literacy. The fellowships are awarded to educators to carry out innovative projects of their own design that will advance the national literacy and adult basic education field.

Ms. Drew-Hohn is the director of the Northeast Regional System for Adult Basic Education Support Center at the Lawrence campus of Northern Essex Community College. She plans to use the grant to carry out a year-long project intended to develop models, tools and a guidebook for teaching low-literate adults about health issues. She will work in conjunction with Beth Sauerhaft, director of the Breast Cancer Oral History Action Project in Berkeley, Calif., another fellowship grant recipient.

"We are interested in finding out what approaches, models and tools show promise for empowerment teaching and learning about health," said Ms. Drew-Hohn. "The interconnections of poverty, low literacy and poor health are critical social issues. Having a coherent and documented body of knowledge will assist in raising public awareness about adult literacy being part of the solution to the low literacy and poor health dilemma."

Ms. Drew-Hohn, who has been employed by Northern Essex Community College for 10 years, will take a three-month leave of absence to complete work on her fellowship project.

Andrew Malis

Cascade Communications Corp. has announced that Andrew Malis of Andover has joined the software consulting group as consulting software engineers. His responsibilities will include the continuation of the design and development of Cascade's IP, Frame Relay and ATM routing proto-

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Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Inga Wennik and Kristin Motta of Wennik & Motta.

New agency places professionals who will work on a special project

Inga Wennik and Kristin Motta have established an agency that specializes in the placement of marketing professionals who can and want to work on a part-time project or full-time basis.

"Our research shows that many companies have a decided need for qualified, pre-screened marketing and creative professionals who can take over the management or implementation of specific strategic, tactical or creative projects," said Kristin Motta, one of the founding partners in charge of sales. "By working with us, our clients have access to a larger pool of professionals with specific core competencies than they could easily maintain on their own. They don't have to spend

time and resources on advertising and interviewing of candidates, and, when the assignment has been completed, the candidate leaves or can be engaged for another project."

"By the same token, there are many marketing and creative professionals who are looking for the opportunity to work on flexible yet well-paid and respected assignments either at the client's site or in their own studios. We do their marketing for them, connect them with the appropriate clients, negotiate their fees and take care of the financial arrangements. Both parties stand to gain at a time when the marketplace demands flexibility and spe-

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cialized services," said Inga Wennik, the other founding partner who heads recruitment efforts.

Ms. Wennik and Ms. Motta bring years of experience in high tech marketing services and financial management, executive search, and graphic arts freelance placements to their new venture. They share the belief that the heart of this business lies in their knowledgeable and sensitive recruiting and in their commitment to their clients, their needs, their culture and their deadlines. They do not place any

candidates they have not personally interviewed and evaluated.

When a placement has been arranged, the candidate pays Wennik & Motta a portion of the negotiated fee in exchange for their marketing and financial services. Should a project assignment turn into a full-time position, the client pays Wennik & Motta a finder's fee based on the first yearly salary.

Wennik & Motta Inc. have an office in Andover and interview facilities in Boston. Call 475-3022.

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Continental receives award

Continental Cablevision Inc., the nation's third largest cable television company which runs Andover's cable TV, has been named *Cablevision Magazine*/Bill Daniels 1996 Cable Operator of the Year during a ceremony at a cable industry conference in Baltimore.

Continental serves more than 1 million customers throughout the Northeast.

The event marks the fourth time in nine years Continental has received the accolade and it is the only company that has been recognized with the award more than once.

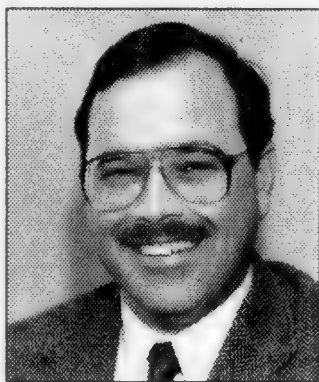
"I'm deeply honored to accept this award on behalf of Continental's management and, most important, our 10,000 employees who are the real

winners of Operator of the Year," said Continental President and Chief Operating Officer, William T. Schleyer, in acceptance remarks. Continental employs 2,000 in its Northeast region.

In its Operator of the Year cover story in the Oct. 7 issue of *Cablevision*, the magazine cites Continental's overall leadership in business and industry affairs. Continental, *Cablevision* reports, is being recognized in part for its leadership in connecting classrooms with both cable television and high-speed data capabilities; its preparations to launch new products and services for its customers; including high-speed Internet access and telephone service; and its responsible approach to cable rates and regulatory issues.

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**Vining to pick up more limbs Saturday;
Limbs can't be longer than four feet**

By Neil Fater

If you're still hoping to get rid of the tree limbs that fell on your property during the heavy snow storms of Dec. 6 and 7, you have two choices. Get out an ax or get out a match book.

The town has hired Vining Disposal to take away reasonably-sized limbs that residents cut up and bring to their curb. The disposal company will go through the entire town Saturday, Dec. 21, including the streets they visited last weekend, said Jim Bamford, parks director.

"There was some confusion last Saturday about length of the branches," said Mr. Bamford. "They (Vining workers) were taking stuff that was 12, 14, 16 feet long and it was very slow getting into the truck. The truck couldn't accommodate as much as it would have if (the limbs)

said Mr. Bamford. "I've been doing that myself for many years because to me it's the easiest way."

Mr. Bamford said burning season begins Jan. 15 and lasts into April. Residents must pay \$10 for a burning permit and then call the fire department the day they want to burn to ask for permission, said Mr. Bamford. Piles must be at least 75 feet from any structure, he said.

Mr. Bamford said workers from the forestry, park and cemetery divisions of municipal maintenance have been removing downed branches since Sunday, Dec. 8. He did not have figures detailing the number of hours worked or the number of truckloads needed to remove the brush.

Despite the effort by residents and the town, however, tree limbs still line many streets in

**Residents who don't want to break up the limbs
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burn the branches.**

had been cut."

Residents need to cut the curb-side branches into pieces no more than four feet long and no greater than four inches in diameter if they want the branches removed, said Mr. Bamford.

"If Vining can't take (a limb) because it was left too long (in size), then I don't think it will be taken by anybody," said Mr. Bamford. "They'd be well advised to make sure it's that four-foot length."

Residents who don't want to break up the limbs may wait until Jan. 15, when they can legally burn the branches.

"Burning is still an option,"

town, and as of Tuesday broken branches remained suspended above or beside even well-traveled roadways such as Central Street.

Many long-time residents said the storm was more damaging to trees than almost any storm they could remember.

"Some of the old-timers said this storm had more damage than the hurricanes from the '50s," said Mr. Bamford.

To help with the clean-up, the town will again open the brush bump on Ledge Road, behind the Chandler Road baseball fields, both Saturday and Sunday, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., said Buzz Stapczynski, town manager.

Working Group.

He formerly chaired the Routing Over Large Clouds (ROTC) and the IP over ATM Working Groups and is active in ATM and Frame Relay network management working groups.

He has been a contributor in the Frame Relay Forum since its formation and is chairman of the SVC Working Group. Mr. Malis is one of only four recipients of the Frame Relay Forum's Special Technical Achievement Award. He has published numerous papers and RFCs on networking and internetworking.

Andrew Malis

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cols.

Mr. Malis was most recently a consulting engineer at Ascom Nexion where he was responsible for Frame Relay strategies. He also contributed to the ATM switch architecture, particularly in traffic management, quality of service and Frame Relay interface board. Mr. Malis is a long-time participant in the IETF, where he co-chairs the Internet-working Over Non-Broadcast Multiple Access Networks (ION)

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More donations for downtown lights! Center Association announces its raffle winners

The following people made donations to help light up downtown Andover for the holiday. Their donations came in after last week's listing was published: Francis A. Perry; the McIver Family; Marland Place; Duncan Malcolm family; Allen and Carol Townsend; and Rick and Carol Zanoni.

Raffle winners

The Andover Center Association has announced the Light Up Downtown raffle winners. People who made donations to help light up downtown Andover for the holidays received raffle tickets to the association's raffle.

Winners

Top prizes (values more than \$150 each): Saturday night in Boston (Addison Travel), Tom and Eleanor Lyons of 28 Bancroft Road; \$200 gift certificate at Andover Optical, the Paonessa family of 21 Apple Blossom Road; \$200 gift certificate toward a portrait session at Carriage House Photography, Karen Perkins of 22 Hemlock Road; set of luggage (Colpitt's Travel), the Heneghan family of 6 Preston Circle; ECCO

boots (Daher's Shoes), Amy Hestline of 180 Elm St.; Celtics tickets (Devine, Millimet & Branch PC), Sheila LaMontagne of 63 Chestnut St.; \$200 gift certificate at Michelle's Boutique, Amy Hewitt of 12 Bartlet St.; 14K gold bracelet (Nazarian Jewelers), John Bigelow of New England Computer Supply, 2 Dundee Park.

Additional winners are: Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy of 11 College Circle; Greg LaFlamme of 89 Lowell St.; the Greeleys of 4 Garfield Lane; Colleen Georgian of 11 Lovejoy Road; M. Silva of 49 Juniper Road; Jim Duzak of 63 Tewksbury St.; Mr. and Mrs. Chris Armstrong of 10 Alonesos Way; Michael and Laura Ippolito of 10 Granli Drive; Sam Bitley of 150 Shawsheen Road; Woo Je-Jang of 54 High St.; Charles Borroso of 5 Knollcrest Drive; Grace Busta of 9 Brookfield Road; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Roberts of 160 Lowell St.; Jan Giacalone of North Reading; Cathy and Bill Henderson, 36 Lupine Road; Janel Wire of 32 Suncrest Road; Jiffy Lube of Lowell; the Cowie

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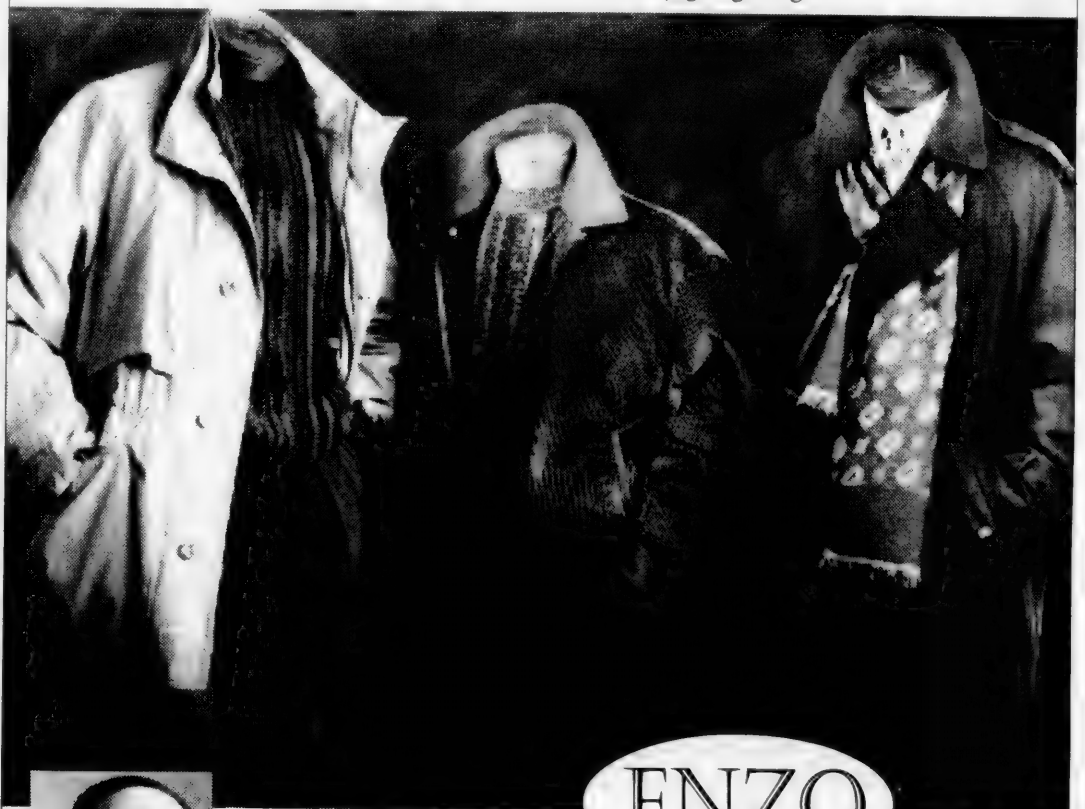
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The Senior Center will be open Christmas Eve from 8 a.m. to noon. Complimentary refreshment and good cheer will be served all morning. Seniors are invited to drop by and bring a friend or neighbor who might be alone that day.

Thank you

Many thanks to seniors who participated in the parade and helped make the time capsule ceremony so meaning-

ful; to the Andover Garden Club for the beautiful live evergreen arrangements for the center; to bakers and buyers for making the cookie sale so successful; and to the arts and crafts group for their work on the kissing balls and Christmas crafts.

Movie matinee

The colorized version of the holiday classic *Miracle on 34th Street* will be shown Monday, Dec. 23, at 12:30 p.m. There is no charge and refreshments will be served. Families are welcome.

Potluck lunch

The center will host a potluck lunch Tuesday, Dec. 31, at noon. The center will provide the main dish. Register at the front desk to bring a salad or dessert. Entertainment will be provided by the Country Bumpkins from St. Augustine's.

Activities, programs

Do you have an idea for a new class or program to be offered at the center next year? Let the center know what you'd be interested in.

Penpals

We extend much appreciation to Jennifer Marsella's third-grade class at Sanborn School for visiting their senior penpals at the center last Friday.

Holiday schedule

The Senior Center will close Tuesday, Dec. 24, at noon and be closed all day Wednesdays, Dec. 25, and Jan. 1.

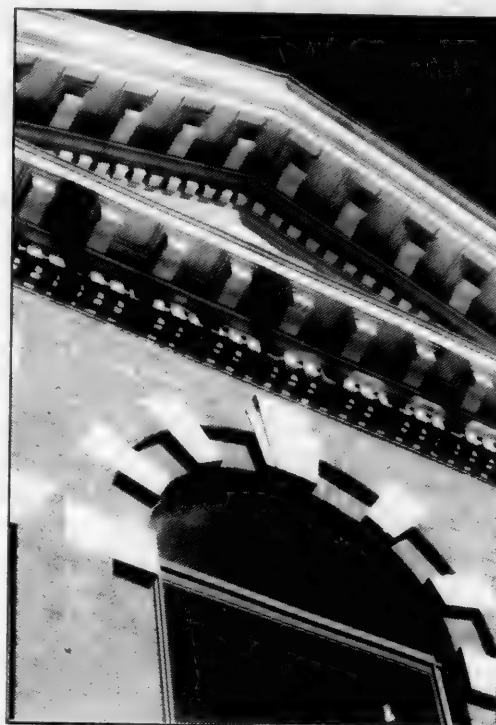


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The seniors have a drop-in center at Old Town Hall.

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Thursday: No lunch.

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Bank; Carol Keefe of Tewksbury; Nancy Martin of 31 Noel Road; Rebecca Bachman of 19 Pomeroy Circle; Bill Lehman of 9 Second Ave.; Mrs. Walsh of 109 High St.; Romaine and Lewis

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SCHOOLS

Doherty Middle School announces first-term honor roll

Doherty Middle School has announced the names of students on the honor roll for the first term.

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High honors: Justin Ernest Barry, Sean L. Bartley, Jeffrey Begley, Sheri Bernstein, Benjamin Jason Bibler, Meghan Kathleen Bradley, Aislinn Rose Callahan, Melissa Carpentier, Brett Joseph Carroll, Stephanie R. Casper, David DeMella, Sophie A. Eustis, Megan Elizabeth Gardner, Matthew Garrity, Andrea Gerard, Andrew Sutherland Haak, Caitlin Hamer, Alexander Marcus Hanna, Alia Vasconcellos Hastings, Marianna Kleymann, Carrie Kropiwnicki, Alexander M. Ladeau, John Edmund Linnemann, Colin Liotta, Caitlin Littlefield, Elizabeth M. Magner, Casey McDade, Jessica Johnson Merrill, Amy Palmieri, Audrey Elizabeth Peck, Audra Lee Peek, Anjali Poddar, Michael Ryan Ruderman, Valerie Ani Saryan, Abigail Hart Scully, Allyson Randi Silberstein, Ross B. Skaliotis, Alexandra Spang, Benjamin Sprattler, Priya Sridhar, Russell Bentley Stevens, Kim Nguyen Tran, Elizabeth F.J. Vazquez, Meredith Lindsey Voiland, Taylor Bridwell Washburn, Jeffrey Wessler, Michael W. Zammuto.

Honors: Joshua Accomando, Kellen R. Affleck, Maya Bachman, Matthew Lee Bagnall, Carolyn Berberian, Elyse Brouillard, Colin Callahan-Higgins, Christina A. Caselle, Scott Lehn Chamberlin, Laura Dayle Cohen, Kate E. Cooper, Jared R. Cuneo, Sheila Dana-her, Andrea Brigit Daniel, Thomas Davidson, Brendan Lawrence Day, Kristen Diane Donahue, John H. Fitzpatrick, Erich Fournier, Emily Priscilla Gentile,

Rachel Goldman, Gardner Gould, James Guillet, Lisa Hagopian, Corinne Elaine Hanson, Lauren Harlow, Colleen Harrison, Joseph Heitz, Taylor James Hender, Justin Ho, Kara Lynn Huston, William J. Igoe III, Christopher S. Kaminski, Jessica D. Leider, Bennett Hamilton Leon, Sarah Ann Longo, Troy Brandon Lundstrom, Lindsay A. Mann, Daniel Alan Mason, Erin K. McArdle, Elinor McCandless, Elizabeth McCarthy, Kathleen Minahan, John Henry Minton, Kenneth B. Moreland Jr., Lorna Murphy, Alison Zielin Page, Jonathan Ryan Papas, Michael B. Pescatore, Michael Justin Petrillo, Andrew Pfeil, Gregory Michael Pilla, Jonathan Pritchard, Igor Rafalovich, Catherine Rauseo, Joseph M. Robichaud, Janis Mary Scanlon, Katie Stewart, Lisa M. Vallera, Patrick Andrew Wadland, Andrew Coman Watts, Ian Jarvis Wittenber, Lauren Katherine Woo.

Grade 7

High honors: Vicky Nicole Anson, Benjamin Atkins, Keziban Sarah Barry, Roxanne Beinart, Daniel Berman, Gregory Booth, Katharine A. Boshart, Christopher D. Brouillard, Allison Caffrey, Suzanne Callanen, Tristina S. Carlson, Michael Jeremy Cashman, Shuva Chakraborty, Jane E. Champion, Karen Chang, Rachel Charron, Gary Chen, William Chen, Duncan Cooper, Holly Cronin, Rachelle Dennis, Joshua M. Desjardins, Kelly Eileen Deyermund, Courtney Kay Domigan, Allyson Theresa Fortier, Bethany Jane Givens, Zachary Goldman, Kathryn Joy Goldthwaite, Rachel Gordon, Melissa Griffin, Rebecca Hass, Kaitlin Olivia Hill, Natalie Ho, Geraldine M. Hough, McKen-

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Grade 8

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In with the new, out with the old

Post holiday winter exchange at AYS

By Michelle Crispo

Can you imagine going to a friend's birthday party and being given a present for coming? Giving and sharing is a value the Sioux Indians hold very highly. Within the Sioux culture, people are revered for how much they give to others. Anniversaries, birthdays, and special events are celebrated, by the host giving gifts to the guests. Our culture differs so greatly from that of the Sioux. In our society people gain status by how much they possess. The Sioux values about giving are ideas we can all learn from as human beings.

A clothing drive will occur during this winter season as a sharing of different cultures. Half of the drive will benefit The Pine Ridge Reservation and the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota. Although the Sioux populations here are not poor in culture, they would benefit in gifts of clothing from us, here in Andover. The other half will benefit neighboring elementary and middle schools, ages ranging from 5 to 13. Many of these children are without winter clothing.

The clothing drive will run throughout January. It will be sponsored by the Andover Youth Council and the Community Service program at AHS. Tom Meyers, a social studies teacher at Andover High School who has

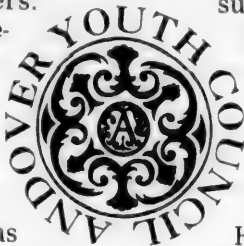
lived on both the Pine Ridge and Rose Bud reservations, is also contributing a lot of support and help with this drive. All types of practical clothing are needed. Heavy winter jackets, pants, and sweaters are needed for winter. But also needed are casualwear

such as jeans, long sleeve shirts, T-shirts, and shoes. Infant clothing is also appreciated. Both old and new clothing are welcome. Please be on the lookout for upcoming details about the drive. Drop-off times will soon be scheduled at the town offices on Bartlet Street.

Home pick-up is also available for those unable to drop off clothing. If you are interested in volunteering, have any new ideas, have any questions, or need to schedule a home pick-up, please call Andover Youth Services at 623-8242.

Don't forget that tonight, Thursday, Dec. 19, from 5-8, Quiet Pleasures, a jewelry and gift store located at 2 Elm Square in downtown Andover, will donate 10 percent of its sales during this one-evening event to Andover Youth Services. Help raise money for Andover Youth.

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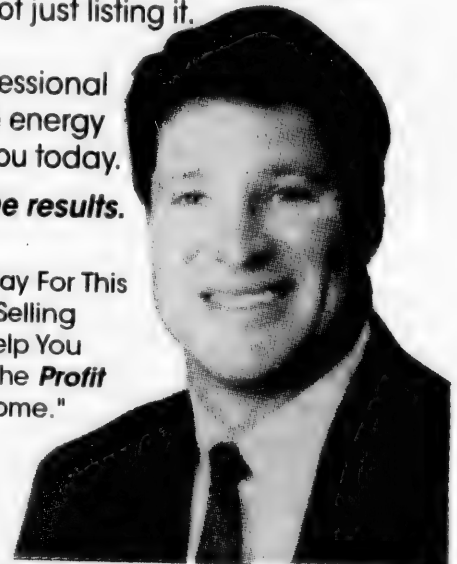
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SCHOOL TALK

Aspiring journalists at the Academy of Notre Dame in Tyngsboro, including sophomore Elizabeth Marley of Andover, are working on *The Billiard Bulletin*, the student newspaper.

The quarterly publication will feature six pages of news items, ranging from schoolwide news to grade-specific information, sports features and and editorials in an 8½-by 11-inch format.



Elizabeth Marley

More than 40 students signed up for the weekly journalism workshop, held after school. Volunteer writers and editors will learn the rudiments of reporting, writing, layout and design, applying their new skills to the production of the *Bulletin*.

The New Market Mall in Columbus, Ohio, was the site for

a preliminary America's Sweetheart Beauty Pageant and baby contest Oct. 13. Finalists will go to the national pageant in June to represent their communities.



Katherine Hepner-Lamb

Katherine Hepner-Lamb, 4, daughter of Sidney Lamb of Andover, won the PeeWee Girls (ages 4-6) and was selected as "most photogenic, brightest eyes, sweetest smile and best personality."

Every Friday morning, Clark School students in fourth, fifth and sixth grade put away their math books and take out copies of the *Wall Street Journal*.

At the beginning of the school year, Leo Higgins, their teacher, "gave" each student \$10,000 to invest in any combination of stocks, mutual funds, CDs, or a



Clark School of Danvers students analyzing their financial portfolios. From left are Samantha Bond, a fifth-grader, and CJ Bond, a fourth-grader, children of Aletta and Ed Bond; and Evan Greer, a sixth-grader, son of Kathy Gilligan and Jim Greer.

savings account. Each week, the students track their investments for gains and losses, and chart their results in a form that explains their

results. They may use bar graphs, line graphs or pie charts. They may make changes weekly according to the parameters of their

investment.

Later this year, the students will take a stock-analysis course with Ron Clark, co-founder of the Greater Boston/New England Council of the National Association of Investors Corp. (NAIC). Mr. Clark has taught this course to investment club members for 20 years.

This fall, 150 people gave Den Rock Park - an 80-acre nature preserve bordering Andover, North Andover and Lawrence - a present to help celebrate its 100th birthday. They cleaned it up from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. While hikers walked the paths and mountain climbers practiced their climbing skills, 125 high school students from

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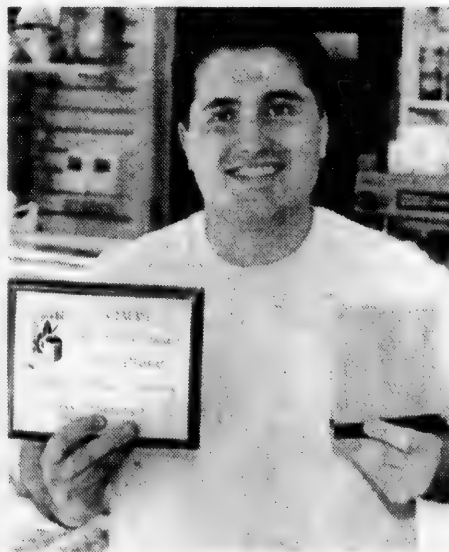
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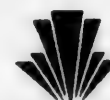


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Presentation of Mary Academy has announced that **Dawn Sawyer** has been named a Commended Student in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corp. (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to this scholastically talented senior.

About 35,000 Commended Students throughout the U.S. are being honored for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the competition for Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top 5 percent of more than a million students who entered the 1997 Merit Program by taking the 1995 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Peter Bernardin, a

senior at St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers, was named a National Merit Commended Student. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David F. Bernardin of Andover.

Pallabi Sanyal of Andover was named to the principal's list at the Academy of Notre Dame for the first quarter of 1996-'97.

Andover students achieved academic honors for the first quarter of the 1996-'97 school year at St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers. They are:

Headmaster's list: Peter A. Bernardin, Patrick B. Clark, Daniel C. Coleman, Jarrod C. Connors and Daniel E. Kelley. To qualify for the headmaster's list, students must achieve grades of 90 percent or above in all courses.

Honor roll: Matthew G. Bolliger, Thomas E. Clark,

Peter F. Driscoll, Peter C. Gerstberger, William C. Hankey, Derek W. Kung and Michael A. Ravens. All students' grades must be 85 percent or above to qualify for the honor roll.

Four students from Andover were named to the Central Catholic High School honor roll. They are Jennifer Anzaldi, Neil Finneran and Nolan Pelletier, high honors; and Joseph Davies, honors.

The following students at Bishop Fenwick High School in Peabody were named to the honor roll.

Principal's list: sophomores Kimberly Cronin and Anne Marie Felago; freshman Tracy Shessler.

First honors: Seniors Brigitte Felago and Michelle Ponikvar.

Second honors: Senior Aimee Dollard.

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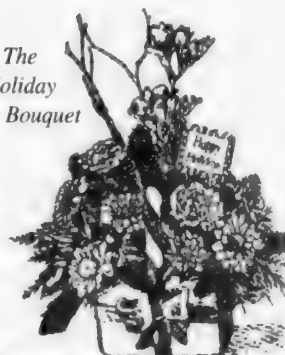
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EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DEC. 19

Quiet Pleasures, downtown store, fundraising event, 10 percent of sales from 5-8 p.m. donated to Andover Youth Services; 2 Elm Square, Musgrove Building, Main Street; Shelia Branock 474-0390.

Festive Christmas concert, featuring Vocal Arts Ensemble and Twelfth Night Consort, 7:30 p.m., free, reception following, DiVincenzo Theatre of the Ryken Center for the Arts, St. John's Prep. School, 72 Spring Street, Danvers; 774-1050 Ext. 303.

FRIDAY, DEC. 20

Comedian **Ken Rogerson**, headlining, 8 and 10:30 p.m. shows,

Comedy Place, Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Holiday story, *The Night the Animals Talked*, presented by the MSPCA, \$5 adults, \$2.50 children, 6 and 7:30 p.m., Nevins Farm & Equine Centre, 400 Broadway, Methuen; 687-1150.

SATURDAY, DEC. 21

Christmas concert and sing-along, sponsored by Free Christian Church, 30 members of New England Brass Band, 7 p.m., 31 Elm St.; 475-0700. ▶

Comedian **Ken Rogerson** (see entry under Friday, Dec. 20).

▼ **Fat Bag**, all-ages concert featuring explosive grooves, old-school jazz, new school rap and hip hop, Old Town Hall, 20 Main St., 8 p.m., tickets \$8, available at AYS and DCS offices in town offices, Bartlett Street; Bill Fahey 623-8241 or 623-8242.

Holiday story (see entry under Friday, Dec. 20).

The Nutcracker, presented by Dance Prism, featuring many



Free Christian Church Music Ministries will host the New England Brass Band in a Christmas Concert and Carol Sing-along Saturday, Dec. 21, at 7 p.m. at the church at 31 Elm St. There will be a free-will offering.

Andover students, West Middle School Auditorium, 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., \$16 adults, \$8 children and seniors; 371-1038 or (617) 861-9219.

SUNDAY, DEC. 22

The Nutcracker (see entry under Saturday, Dec. 21) 2:30 p.m. show only.

Christmas pageant, 20th annual re-enactment of Nativity scene, this year Peter, Amy and Billie Rebecca Ring of Andover play the Holy Family, with a narrator, a large cast of actors from the parish, and live animals; West

▶ **Fat Bag** will be right on the money at Old Town Hall, 20 Main St., this Saturday, Dec. 21, at 8 with their "wicked awesome sounds."

Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, 5 p.m., refreshments served; 475-3528.

SATURDAY, DEC. 28

Open mike night, invitation to perform with Paul Lourier and Gina Reposa, \$5 admission, starts 8 p.m., Daily Grind Coffeehouse, First United Methodist Church, 57 Peters St., North Andover; 681-7555.

ONGOING

Holiday Events

Santa's Village at Brickstone Square, reindeer carousel, petting zoo, \$25 trees, \$10 wreaths, benefits St. Ann's Home for Children; Brickstone Square, York Street off Haverhill Street, Dec. 6-

24, Fridays 7-9 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 6-9 p.m.; in conjunction with Brickstone Christmas tree; events hotline 749-3008.

A Christmas Carol presented by Merrimack Valley Repertory Theatre, the classic holiday tale by Charles Dickens, Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell, times and prices vary, through Dec. 22; (508) 454-3926.

Holiday hullabaloo, comedy musical review on stage, DJ and dancing, times and prices vary, Deco Boston Dinner Theatre, Route 128, Woburn, through Dec. 21; (617) 932-9988.

A Christmas Carol, Deco Boston Dinner Theatre, times and prices vary, Dec. 7-22, Route 128, Woburn;

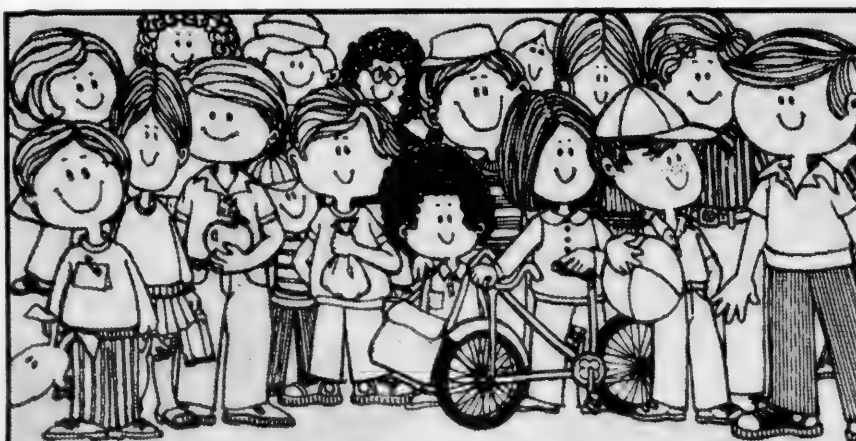
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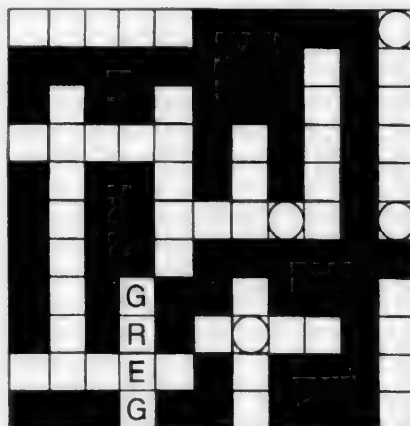


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SCHOOLTALK

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Andover, Greater Lawrence Tech, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, and North Andover high schools worked in mixed teams under the supervision of teachers and students in the Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative (GLEC) Student Leadership Program to give

the park a thorough cleaning.

The volunteers removed 243 items made of plastic (bags, jugs, cups, etc.), 75 pieces of styrofoam, 412 glass bottles, 347 metal items (including 19 55-gallon steel drums), paper products, metal automobile doors, bumpers, gas tanks, mufflers and radiators, jumper

cables and electrical parts, 60 asbestos shingles, 98 car and truck tires, a 25-foot-high street lamp, and a giant windshield that had blown off an 18-wheeler traveling down Route 495.

The Lawrence DPW hauled it all away. The one item that was not removed was the 1989 Jeep Cherokee that was stuck in three feet of water in the Shawsheen River.

The student and teacher vol-

unteers were joined by volunteers from the Lawrence Trails, Methuen Trails and North Andover Trails committees, Merrimack River Watershed Council, Lawrence City Core, the Pioneers from Lucent Technologies, Lawrence Heritage State Park, Mass. Department of Environmental Protection, and other schools. ABC Bus, Trombly Bus, Laidlaw Bus, and Coppola Bus transported the volunteers

from the high schools to Den Rock. Joan A. McCarthy of the Lawrence Trails Committee brought a "Den Rock 100th anniversary" birthday cake for all the volunteers. The Greater Lawrence Tech food department provided cookies.

Although the park is now free of debris, the motel parking lot bordering the park is not. Over the years, it has become a major dumping site

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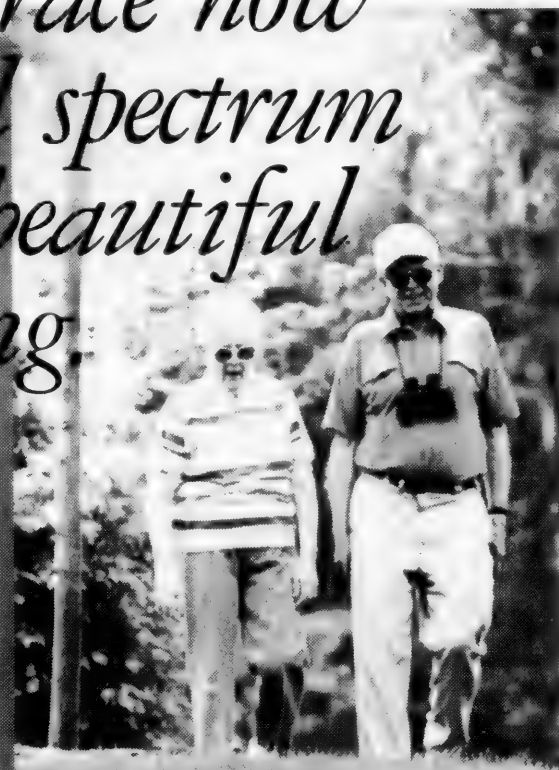
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The GLEC Student Leadership Program, which involves 60 students from six area high schools, cleaned up Den Rock Park. From left are Melissa Scheve, Andover High English teacher and GLEC adviser; Rita Cunningham, Methuen Trails Committee; Jose Huertas, Haverhill High student; and Tim Southgate, leader of the Den Rock Coalition.

SCHOOL TALK

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for hazardous waste and construction trash and is in need of a massive cleanup. And it should be secured so that additional dumping is prevented.

Last year, the GLEC Student Leadership Program was awarded the prize in Massachusetts for a project to help create a walking trail along the Merrimack River from Andover to Haverhill. The program, which involves 60 students from the above six high schools, runs community service and interschool activities that promote friendship among the communities and help to address community needs. Their next projects include interschool student exchanges, and a book drive for young readers.

Justin Ordman of Andover was featured in *Fiddler on the Roof*, performed at Wheelock Family Theatre during November. Based on Sholem Aleichem's *Tevye and His Daughters*, *Fiddler on the Roof* depicts life in the stett Anatevka on the eve of the Russian Revolution.

Justin, an honor student at Doherty Middle School, made his debut at WFT as a member of the ensemble in *Fiddler*. He has appeared in many Boston area theater productions, organizers said.



Justin Ordman

Students named to honor roll at Austin Prep

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Andover students at Austin Preparatory School in Reading have been named to the honor roll. The students are:

Distinction

Brendan Griffin and Rachel Hartman.

High honors

Kathryn Sarracino, David Hartman, Matthew Pimental, Caitlin Simili, Dailyn Tanner and Timothy Tanner.

Honors

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The arch at West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, will become the entrance to Bethlehem at the 20th annual outdoor Christmas Pageant Sunday, Dec. 22, at 5 p.m. Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus will be played by Peter and Amy Ring and their infant daughter, Billie Rebecca, of Andover. They will be joined by 40 children of West Parish playing kings, pages, shepherds and angels. Jerry Greer will be the narrator and Tim Turbett will play the innkeeper. Live goats and sheep will be at the stable, which will be erected just inside the arch. The adult choir will sing with Jim Olson as soloist, led by music director Eunice Kim. As shown in the photo of a past performance, this re-enactment of the Nativity has become a local family tradition. Everyone is invited to attend the pageant, and refreshments will be served in Fellowship Hall following the event. For details call the church at 475-3528.

The Nutcracker returns to Andover this weekend

The Nutcracker, the most traditional of holiday events, will return to Andover this weekend, Dec. 21 and 22, when Dance Prism presents its 14th annual production of the ballet at West Middle School Auditorium.

The Boston-based Dance Prism has performed annually in the Collins Center since 1990. The production was relocated to West Middle after the Collins Center was closed this fall because of construction problems.

Dance Prism's *Nutcracker* production brings to the stage the full spectrum of magical wonders: falling snow, a growing Christmas tree, a reindeer-drawn sleigh, and angels floating on clouds. The cast of 140 professional and preprofessional dancers include a cadre of talented children that tour with the troupe. A group of 40 young dancers from the Andover area, chosen especially for these performances, have been rehearsing since September for their parts in the production.

They include Sarah Bouchard, Hannah Bourland, Meghan Bradley, Cassandra Britton, Emily Coglian, Elisabeth Godek, Lindsey Hagopian, Meghan Harrington, Colleen Heath, Danielle Huntley, Marie Huntley, Michelle Huntley, Mallory Jaracz, Marianna Kleyman, Bristol Konjoian, Stephanie Krivelow, Sarah Maltzman, Lauren Marsh, Hallie Martin, Meridith Martin, E.B. McCarthy, Ruth McGrotty, Rachel McMahon, Lauren McPhee, Angela Monaco, Katie Nadworn, Natasha Pakravan, Meredith Schmidt, Micaelo Seiden, Kara Spang, Sara Thompson, Lindsey Timko, April Totten, Laura Totten, Colleen Vispoli, Stephanie Wong, and Nicole Zaffini.

Four dancers from North Andover will also be a part of the shows: Emily Barry,



Photo by Tim Barrett

Dance Prism principal dancers Marina Flessas and Andre Quintela, the Sugarplum Fairy and her Cavalier, will perform in *The Nutcracker* at West Middle School Auditorium on Shawsheen Road, this Saturday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 22, at 2:30 p.m. For tickets call (508) 371-1038.

Jeana Paolino, Jessica Paolino, and Joana Paolino.

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Christmas music inter-
persed with readings about
the Christmas message.

CHRISTMAS EVE: 7:30
p.m. Candlelight service fea-
turing traditional Scripture
readings and carols. No of-
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come.

Catholic

St. Augustine Church
Rev. Arthur Johnson,
O.S.A., Pastor
43 Essex St., Andover
THURSDAY: 7 p.m. Com-
munal penance service.
SATURDAY: 11 a.m.-
noon, Sacrament of Recon-
ciliation.

MONDAY: 4:30-5 p.m. and
7-7:30 p.m., Sacrament of
Reconciliation.
CHRISTMAS EVE: Mass-
es at 4, 6, 8 and 10:30 p.m.
The 6 p.m. liturgy includes a
children's pageant; the 8
p.m. liturgy is planned by
the Genesis Youth Group; St.
Augustine Adult and Bell
Choir will begin singing at
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Vigil.

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es at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11

a.m. Vigil at 4 and 7:30 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church

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CHRISTMAS EVE: Mass-

es at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY: Mass

at 10 a.m.

Congregational

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CHRISTMAS EVE: 5 p.m.

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ship service with FCC musi-

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Episcopal

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CHRISTMAS EVE: 4:30

p.m. Christmas pageant.

Candlelight service - Holy

Communion. Nursery care

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and 110 from 4:15 to 6 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Candlelight festi-

val service; Holy Commu-
nion - Rite II.

9 p.m. Candlelight festival
service; Holy Communion -
Rite I.

11 p.m. Contemplative
candlelight service; Holy
Communion - Rite II.

Inter- denominational

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16 Haverhill St., Andover

Rev. William D. Watson,

Pastor

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m. Ser-

vice. Traditional Christmas

carols; special presentation

of historical carols by Eric

Lindahl; Reading of the

Christmas story; Message of

"The Good News of Christ-

mas."

CHRISTMAS EVE: 5 p.m.

Family candlelight service;

Worship songs and carol

singing; Lighting of Advent

wreath; Candle dance; Light-

ing of the Christmas star.

Lutheran

Faith Lutheran Church

360 S. Main St., Andover

Rev. Jonathan T.

Heydenreich

Pastor

SUNDAY: 4 p.m. Service

of Holy Communion with a

message for the children.

7:30 p.m. Service of

Lessons and Carols with a

message for the children.

11 p.m. Service of Holy

Communion.

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lude.

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ing and light. Bring a candle

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41 Central St., Andover

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ship; Special Christmas mu-

sic with choirs, instrumen-

talists; Lessons and carols;

Church school.

4 p.m. Christmas caroling

to members of the church

who are unable to get out.

CHRISTMAS EVE: 5 p.m.

Service. Pageant and carols.

11 p.m. Candlelight ser-

vice of lessons and carols.

CHRISTMAS EVE: 7 p.m.
Family service.

11 p.m. Candlelight ser-
vice of lessons and carols.

United Methodist

Ballardvale United Church
(United Methodist and
United Church of Christ)

23 Clark Road, Andover
Rev. Allen Bryan,
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CHRISTMAS EVE: 7 p.m.
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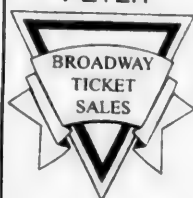
All are welcome for a Christmas Eve candlelight service for all ages Tuesday at 7 p.m., with traditional readings, meditation, singing, and light. It takes place at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St., in downtown Andover. Bring a candle or two in candlesticks to represent your family at the central table.

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SPORTS

AHS basketball, hockey, track teams hope it's a hot winter

ANDOVER HIGH 1996-'97
WINTER PREVIEWS

By Rick Harrison

The Andover High winter sports season is underway with the women's basketball, men's swimming, ice hockey and indoor track teams all beginning regular-season play either Tuesday or yesterday, Christmas Day.

The men's basketball team launches its campaign tomorrow night when it hosts Haverhill in the Dunn Gymnasium (7:30 p.m.).

Following are previews of the basketball, hockey and track teams.

ICE HOCKEY

The loss of seven top players (five graduates, two transfers), including all-time career scoring leader Chris Cullen and All-Star defenseman Jeff Hesenius, has left the 1996-'97 Andover High varsity hockey team with some big skates to fill.

But the return of 14 veterans, seven of whom are still underclassmen, has sixth-year Golden Warriors' head coach Bill Cullen thinking seriously about a league title and another MIAA Division 2 Tournament berth.

"If we can find a few players who can put the puck in the net consistently we'll be right back in the thick of things," said Cullen.

Andover, a member of the second-year Merrimack Valley/Dual County League's Division 2, opened last night with an inter-division game against Division 3 member Lowell.

The locals, who attracted 60 candidates to the first-week workouts, return to the ice Saturday night with the official Division 2 opener against Lincoln-Sudbury at the Assabet Valley Arena in West Concord (8 p.m.).

The home opener at Merrimack College isn't until Jan. 2 against Concord-Carlisle (7:15 p.m.).

In addition to Chris Cullen, now playing at Kimball Union Academy in Vermont, and Hesenius, who is playing Junior hockey with the Merrimack Valley Warriors, Andover also graduated defenseman Brian Kwon (Brown University), center Marc Roy and goaltender Ryan Lynch.

Two other standouts, second leading scorer Josh Prudden (18-19-37) and defenseman Mike Kelley, are now attending Pingree School and Governor Dummer Academy respectively.

Cullen set virtually every scoring record available at AHS before finishing his four-year career with 97 goals and 73 assists for 170 points.

"We have a solid core of returning defensemen, two veteran goaltenders, and some flexibility in the lineup with several kids who can play equally well at both forward and defense," said coach Cullen.

The strong nucleus at the blue line consists

of junior Adam Colucci, senior Ryan Boilard (2-11-13 points last year), junior Scott Petersen, junior Matt Adams and senior Peter Zetlan.

They will stand tall in front of a trio of goaltenders, junior John Hogan, sophomore Mike Johnson and senior Taylor Gleason.

Hogan, who registered the only shutout (0-0 tie with Concord-Carlisle), and Johnson both played about half the games last winter.

The top returning goalscorer is senior center and Captain Josh Hoerner, who finished with 13 goals and 13 assists in 1995-'96.

He will be flanked by senior right wing Rob Busby (6-6-12) and junior left wing Doug Henderson (2-5-7) on one AHS line.

Three more experienced forwards will also skate together, senior Captain Albert Kwon (5-13-18) centering for senior right wing, twin brother and Captain Rob Kwon (2-5-7) and junior left wing Marty Lastrina (0-3-3).

A third line has sophomore Matt Antaya at center, junior Gordon Wade at right wing and junior Scott Ciruso at left wing.

Ciruso is on the mend after suffering a broken wrist while rollerblading this fall.

Newcomers on defense are sophomore Dave Mullins, a transfer student from St. John's Prep in Danvers, junior Dave Chapin and sophomore Dave Morin.

Completing the group of forwards are sophomore right wing Mike Thomas, sophomore center Mark Champion and freshman left wing Ryan Nugent.

Adams and Wade are the two players who may swing between forward and defense.

Stats and facts

Pre-season scrimmages were held against Woburn and Wilmington, while AHS also faced Newburyport and Amesbury in last Saturday's annual Methuen Jamboree.

The Golden Warriors will conclude the regular season with two games in the second annual Newburyport Bank Classic Feb. 16 and 19 at the Graf Rink in Newburyport.

Andover faces Triton Regional of Byfield on Feb. 16 at 6 p.m. in the tourney semifinals, and the outcome of that game will determine whether the locals finish in the consolation or championship game on Feb. 19.

Bill Blackwell and Ralph Quaglietta (JVs) return as assistant coaches.

Coach Cullen begins his sixth year at Andover after 14 years as head coach at Wilmington High.

At Wilmington his teams won four Merrimack Valley Conference Small School Division titles and qualified for the tournament 13 times.

His first five Andover teams have all qualified for the tourney, and two years ago the Golden Warriors were MVC Small School co-champs with Tewksbury.

Last year Andover finished 9-6-5 overall, including 4-1-3 in its last eight regular season games, before dropping a 3-1 decision to Winthrop in the first round of the tournament.

Cullen's overall won-lost-tied record at Andover is 58-35-12.

MV/DCL Division 2 has a slightly different look this season, with Tewksbury moving up to Division 1 and Haverhill coming down to Division 2.

"We've always had terrific games with Haverhill," said coach Cullen. "They'll be tough in our division, as will Lincoln-Sudbury and Boston Latin."

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

This could finally be the year the Haverhill High women's basketball team is dethroned as perennial Merrimack Valley Conference Large School and state Division 1 champion.

And the heir apparent may be Andover. With four of five starters back from a team that finished 16-4, once again losing only to

Haverhill and Methuen, the 1996-'97 Lady Warriors may be poised to take the big step.

"A lot of people are talking about us," said second-year coach Jim Tildsley. "But it's going to be a tremendous division in probably the strongest league in the state. Haverhill and Methuen are still very good, and both Chelmsford (Colleen Mullen) and Billerica (Kelly Barker) have an outstanding player to lead veteran teams."

The only senior AHS graduate was forward Jen Aylward, the fifth highest scorer last year with 87 points. She is now attending the University of New Hampshire.

The returning starters, who topped the original turnout of 32 varsity candidates, are junior 5'7" twin sharpshooting sisters Sarah and Charlotte Muller, senior 6'1" center and team Captain Susie Tully and junior 5'7" forward Laura Orlando.

Charlotte Muller was among the leading scorers in Eastern Massachusetts last winter with 404 points, including 74 three-pointers, and in two varsity campaigns she already has 704 points. Charlotte should reach the coveted 1,000-point milestone late this season as an underclassman.

Backcourt partner Sarah scored 218 points last year, with 35 treys, and she has 420 points in two seasons.

Tully, a force off the boards, had 179 points last year and boasts a career total of 373.

Orlando contributed 114 points last winter and 41 as a freshman.

Three other returning letterwinners are junior 5'7" guard/forward Viki Pierce, junior 5'8" guard Courtney Barron and junior 5'8" forward Julie Litzengerger.

Elevated from last year's outstanding JV team, which finished 16-2, are junior guard Jenna Hartwell (5'6"), junior center Kristen Foley (6'2"), sophomore forward Janice Coppolino (6'0") and junior forward Lauren Sweeney (5'11").

Completing the 12-player varsity roster is the lone freshman, forward Lindsay Pearson (5'8").

"We'll be a fun team to watch," said coach Tildsley. "Most of the time we'll play an up-tempo game and we'll apply a lot of defensive pressure."

"We have a lot of talent offensively. Our main strength is the outside perimeter shooting, although Tully has improved her game tremendously and is becoming an aggressive force under the boards. She scored 24 points in our opening scrimmage against a good Masconomet team," said Tildsley.

"The overall group attitude is excellent, and we're working hard to improve our defense which will have to be sharp against the better teams."

"The future looks very bright with the growth of the youth program in town. This year we have three girls' traveling teams for 6th, 7th and 8th graders," added Tildsley.

Stats and facts

The season opener was Tuesday night at the Dunn Gym against Billerica, and the Lady Warriors return to the court tomorrow night with another stiff early-season test at Haverhill (7:30 p.m.).

"The first two games, with Billerica and Haverhill, will tell us right away where we stand," said Tildsley. "It's a tough start."

After a non-league home game against visiting Bishop Fenwick of Peabody next Monday (7 p.m.), Andover opens defense of its Greater Lawrence Christmas Tournament championship when it plays Salem, N.H., next Friday night (Dec. 27) at 7:30 p.m.

Methuen and North Andover meet in the other semifinal, Friday at 6 p.m., with the

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Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Thirty-two Merrimack Valley Pirates will attend the Star Invitational Swim Meet in Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 19-22. The meet is by invitation only. The Pirates are going for the third year in a row. The pool has been the site of 1993 World University Games, 1994 and '95 Junior National long course and short course, 1994 Masters long course championship, 1994 USS Open, and 1997 USS Phillips 66 Senior Nationals. Swimmers from ages 10 to 16 will attend from MVP with head coach Michael Spring and assistant coach Patty Spring. The meet is trials and finals. Pictured at practice last week at the Greater Lawrence Technical School pool are: (Front) Jenna Blongiewicz and Brenna O'Connor, co-captains; (first row) Jonathan Meltz, Lindsay Girolomo, Marianne Rice, Alexandra Siu, C. Casselle, E. Mancuso, C. Kinnett, C. Geary, J. Douvadjian, Sarah Ferranti; (second row) Connie Brown, Eric Douvadjian, Alexis Caselle, Sally Brown, Stacy Allberg, Kerryn O'Connor, Emily Rochefort, Scarlett Quigley, Sean Geary, Tiffany Siu, coach Mark Jaffee; (third row) Dorothy Rice, Allison Buckley, Jackie LeMoine, Richard Kinnett, Joe Sipos, David Cecee, Loni Lewis, Brian Fiske, Sophie Cowan.

OBITUARIES

Henry V. Parsons Conductor for the Boston & Maine Railroad for 41 years

Henry V. Parsons of Effingham, N.H., died Monday, Dec. 9, at his home after a brief illness.

Mr. Parsons was born in Andover and attended Punchard High School. He moved to Danvers in 1947 and retired to Effingham in 1975.

Mr. Parsons was a conductor for the Boston & Maine Railroad for 41 years.

He was a member of the Chapter Oak Lodge 58 in Effingham, the Holton Royale Arch Chapter in Danvers and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

He attended First Christian Church in Freedom, N.H.

Mr. Parsons was on the board of directors for RSVP and Ossipee Concerned Citizens and a volunteer for Meals on Wheels.

Members of his family include his wife of 49 years, Priscilla (Usher) Parsons of Effingham, N.H.; sons, Alan Parsons of Beverly and David Parsons of Sandwich, N.H.; daughters, Beverly Kimball of East Hampstead, N.H., and Janet Bartoswicz of Effingham; sisters, Hazel Ammon, Doris Bayliss and Barbara Dufresne, all of Andover; six grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

He was the brother of the late Bernice Lisiki of Canton, Ohio, Ernest Parsons of Lawrence and Norman Parsons of Hampton, N.H.

There were no calling hours. Arrangements were by Lord Funeral Home in Ossipee, N.H.

A memorial service was held Saturday in First Christian Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurses Association/Hospice of Southern Carroll County, P.O. Box 1620, Wolfeboro, N.H. 03894.

Peter A. Pelletier Was a firefighter for the city of Lawrence

Peter A. Pelletier, 74, of 24 Wood Haven Drive died Thursday, Dec. 12, at Lahey-Hitchcock Clinic in Burlington.

Mr. Pelletier was born in Lawrence. He graduated from Sacred Heart Grammar School and Central Catholic High School.

He served in the Navy during World II.

Mr. Pelletier was a firefighter for the city of Lawrence for more than 20 years until he retired in 1982.

He attended St. Patrick Church in Lawrence.

Members of his family include his

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Deaths Elsewhere

FARRELL - Virginia M. (Neary) Farrell, 71, of Lowell, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, at University Hospital in Boston after a long illness. Members of her family include a daughter and son-in-law, Virginia M. and Robert Canavan of Andover.

HARRIS - Annette M. Harris, 91, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, at the Nevins Home in Methuen. Members of her family include her daughter and son-in-law, Lois and Louis Eidam of Andover.

HAYES - Sara (Ladenheim) Hayes, 96, of Marblehead died Monday, Dec. 16, at a local nursing home.

Members of her family include her daughter, Rita Mascott of Andover.

LAPADULA - Emily (McElroy) Lapadula of Somers, Conn., died Monday, Dec. 9, at Johnson Memorial Hospital in Stafford Springs, Conn. Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Richard B. and Vivian Lapadula of Andover.

NICHOLS - Dorothy (Baker) Nichols, 89, of Reading died Tuesday, Dec. 10, at her home following a long illness.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Richard B. and Gail E. Nichols of Andover.

THOMPSON - Grace (Stewart) Thompson, 89, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, at Gospel Hall Home for the Aged in Longport, N.J.

Members of her family include her sister, Annise Waddington of Andover.

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This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice. Questions? Call Jack Grady or Perry Colmore at 475-1943.

Death Notice

Paul R. Langevin

SCOTCH PLAINS, N.J. - Paul R. Langevin, Sr., 69, died Monday, Dec. 9, at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Mainfield, N.J.

He was born and raised in Lawrence, moving to Scotch Plains in 1958.

He graduated from Boston University in 1951. He served in the Coast Guard during WWII.

Members of his family include his wife, Edna Guilmet Langevin; three sons, Paul, Jr. of Greenbrook, Bruce of High Bridge and Jon of Lebanon; three daughters, Michele Langevin of Columbia, Denise Toolan of Readington and Suzanne Kadish of Somerville; three brothers, Albert, Louis and Russell, all of Massachusetts, and nine grandchildren.

Services were held Friday at Scarpa Funeral Home in North Plainfield. Memorial contributions may be made to Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, 1916 Bartle Ave., Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076.

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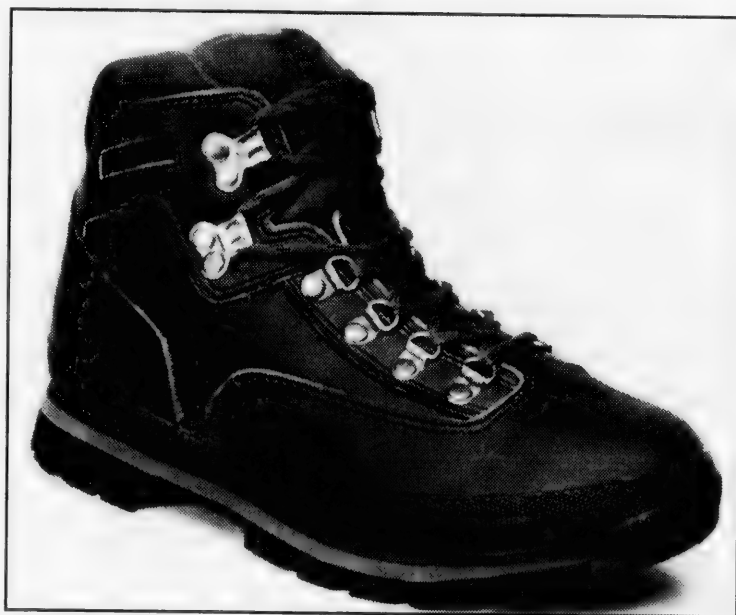
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OBITUARIES

Peter A. Pelletier

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wife, Dorothy (Nolan) Pelletier of Andover; sons, Paul Pelletier of Long Island, N.Y., Peter Pelletier of Dracut and his wife, Elaine Pelletier, Gary Pelletier of Methuen and his wife, Leslie Pelletier, George Pelletier of Andover and his wife, Susan Pelletier, Bruce Pelletier of Atkinson, N.H., and his wife, Debra Pelletier, and Brian Pelletier of Peabody and his wife, Kathy Pelletier; daughter, Mary Joan Pelletier of Lawrence; brother, Paul Pelletier, also of Lawrence; sisters, Sister Edna Pelletier of Waltham and Therese Pelletier of Lawrence; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was said Monday in St. Patrick Church. Entombment will be in St. Mary Mausoleum in Lawrence.

Arrangements were by Cataudella Funeral Home in Methuen.

Alpha Marotta Was Frye Circle resident

Alpha (Bruno) Marotta, 96, of 256 N. Main St., Frye Circle, died

Sunday, Dec. 15, at Greenery Extended Care Center in Beverly.

Mrs. Marotta was born and educated in Boston.

Members of her family include her sons and daughters-in-law, George J. and Blanche J. Marotta of Andover and Robert E. and Marie Marotta of Little Rivers, S.C.; daughters, Rita Ann Stevens of Boxford, widow of John Stevens, and Christine G. Dargie of Hampton, N.H.; sister, Doreen Forte of Dedham; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was the widow of George S. Marotta.

A Mass was said Wednesday at St. Augustine Church. Burial was in Village Cemetery in Boxford.

Arrangements were by Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse Association, Water Street, Haverhill; to the Arthritis Foundation; or to Hospice.

Robert A. Barlow Was a project coordinator with M.I.T.

Robert A. Barlow, 62, of Andover died Saturday, Dec. 14, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mr. Barlow was born in Avonmore, Pa., and educated in West Springfield, Pa., schools. He attended Penn State University and graduated from Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston and the Boston Architectural Center.

He had been in the Coast Guard.

Mr. Barlow was a project coordinator with the M.I.T. physical plant group in Cambridge.

He was a member of First Calvary Baptist Church in North Andover, where he was chairman of its board of trustees. He co-chaired the new church's design construction committee.

Mr. Barlow was a district commissioner for North Essex Council, Boy Scouts of America, and a member of Andover Sportsmen's Club.

Members of his family include his wife of 41 years, Jane E. (Moore) Barlow of Andover; sons and daughters-in-laws, Dr. Robert A. and Marlene Barlow of Yardley, Pa., and Jeffrey A. and Marylee Barlow of Montgomery Village, Md.; daugh-

ters and sons-in-law, Carol Ann and Frank Morse of Lawrence and Karen Marie and Scott Harrison of Newark, Del.; brothers, James E. Barlow of West Springfield, Pa., and Edwin C. Barlow of Wilmington; sister, Donna Elaine Brockett of West Springfield, Pa.; and eight grandchildren.

The funeral was held Wednesday in First Calvary Baptist Church. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Arrangements were Charles F. Dewhirst Funeral Home in Methuen.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Calvary Baptist Church Memorial Garden Fund, 586 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, Mass. 01845.

Nicholas DiLiegro Was a line supervisor for Star Market

Nicholas "Nick" DiLiegro, 58, of Andover died Wednesday, Dec. 11, at his home.

Mr. DiLiegro was born in

Somerville and educated in Somerville schools. He moved to Andover 20 years ago.

He had served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Mr. DiLiegro was a line supervisor for Star Market Corp.

Members of his family include his sons, Nicholas DiLiegro of New Hampshire and Thomas DiLiegro of Andover; daughters, Lori Ann Burke of New Hampshire, Ann Marie Dane of Middleton and Julie DiLiegro of Andover; brothers, Camillo "Mel" DiLiegro of Reading, Anthony DiLiegro of New Hampshire and Thomas DiLiegro of Andover; sister, Mary Tolland of Florida; and six grandchildren.

A Mass was said Monday at St. Robert Bellarmine Church. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Arrangements were Cota Funeral Home in North Reading.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 661 Massachusetts Ave., Arlington, Mass. 02174.

EVENTS CALENDAR LISTINGS

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Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society, Andover Celebrates: 1896, exhibit looks 100 years back at the community's 250th anniversary, mural of Andover's 1896 celebration painted by Karen Herman and Sue Dennett, photographs and memorabilia, will remain on view through 1996; **1820s-1840s Exhibit** at the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools; library and office hours Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. by appointment; \$4 adults, \$2 children, members free; Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 475-2236.

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Main and Phillips Streets, includes the newly restored diorama, miniature scene of Native Americans along the banks of the Merrimack River, Tuesday through Friday noon-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m., free;

749-4490.

Voices on Repatriation and Renewing Tradition: Modern Pueblo Pottery, continuing exhibits feature collections of Native American artifacts;

Pecos Pueblo: Crossroads of Cultures, tells story of the Pueblo at Pecos, New Mexico, inhabited from 1300 to 1838 by a sophisticated Native society.

Lowell National Historic Park, history of the American Industrial Revolution, guided tours of cotton and textile mills, canals; (508) 970-5000.

Wenham Museum, featuring Play & Learn III, a children's interactive exhibit, 17th-century Claflin-Richards House, 132 Main St., Wenham, Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday 1-4 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2.50 seniors, members free.

Art Exhibitions
Addison Gallery of American Art,
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traits from the Hazleton Public Schools, 1992-1994;

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New Hampshire Profiles, New Hampshire quilt makers exhibit, through Jan. 4, New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck St., Lowell, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, \$4 adults, \$3 students and seniors; Jennifer Gilbert (508) 452-4207.

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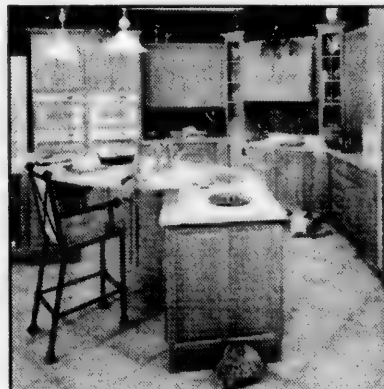
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Looking at Andover when it's 400 years old

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said it is great that people come to Andover and stay awhile, even if they leave. And it's good that people who are born here find new opportunities and move away. It's also OK that others come and stay or that some are born here and never leave. The important thing is that while they are here residents feel they are a part of the community. And it is the job "of all of us... to raise kids to be good, responsible citizens, wherever they live." The issues discussed this past year will filter down to the children, he said.

Members of Andover at 400 pondered what life might be like in Andover 50 years from now, during the town's 400th anniversary year. The idea was that "a look at the future should help us with the present," according to Selectman Larry Larsen, committee chairman. Volunteers broke into five groups: Business, Industry and Money; Education; The Environment, Land Use and Development; Science, Medicine and Technology; and, The Soul of Andover.

Dr. Larsen gathered the group Monday to thank the participants, and to hear some of their final thoughts on some of the issues brought out through the year.

• **Perry Colmore**, *Townsmen* editor, told the group she sees the newspaper's role as one of encouraging communication among various contingents of the community. She recommended a community-service talent bank be established to match volunteers and their skills with needs.

• **Josh Miner**, former director of admissions at Phillips Academy and chief founder of Outward Bound USA, called for a moratorium on land development for 10 years to slow "urban sprawl."

Mr. Miner also pushed the idea of fostering "shared jeopardy" for young people. Kids have no idea of what it's like to be an adult, nor do they have any responsibility for themselves or their family, he said. They need to be made a part of what is going on around them, to understand their role in it.

"How do we get young people to share the jeopardy - that means failure as well as success" in the community, he said.

• **John Fanton** has worked 29 years for Hewlett-Packard, but said such a tenure is rare in business today. The mobility of people and jobs makes it difficult to have a sense of place, he said, and he challenged the group to find ways to help children and adults gain a sense of community.

• **Selectman Gerald Silverman** noted that only two members of the group gathered Monday were born and raised in Andover, and that it seemed the same handful of residents are those involved in community events. He said those who are involved need to reach-out to get others involved, but he couldn't say how to do that.

• **Norma Gammon**, 350th Anniversary Committee chairperson, said some people don't stay involved in the community because they can't afford to stay and raise a family here.

• **Sue Stott**, a member of the Environment, Land Use and Development group, talked about affordable housing and providing opportunities for people to come here and/or stay here. People who sell family homes here now will never be able to afford

to come back, she said.

• **David Corbett**, a member of the Business, Industry and Money group, said the only constant in the next 50 years will be change, especially with people and institutions. The average stay in a company is 3.9 years now, he said. People no longer depend on a company to manage their careers, but instead must do that themselves, what he called, "Me, Inc."

Town officials can help by locating the best-managed communities and learn from them to manage this town. The same can be done for corporations - see what the best and most admired corporations are doing and emulate them. The most highly respected companies have high research and development budgets, and they embrace change rather than dodge it, he said. To help people understand the chaos rather than worry about it, Mr. Corbett suggested the town establish:

- A group to plan for change for people, rather than for real estate;
- A group to track trends and establish linkage among various interest and age groups;
- Communication among various groups;
- At the library and/or schools, a section for education of change and trends.

• **Marty Epstein**, chairman of the Council on Aging, said the Senior Center is a doorway for seniors into the community and vice versa. Volunteerism is important to seniors and the tax voucher program may be one of the most successful programs ever in town, he said. "I think seniors in this town can be a resource for leading the town into the future," Mr. Epstein said.

• **David Sand**, of Hewlett-Packard, said the town needs a management plan for growth - a planned expansion agreed on through compromise and approved by town meeting - as opposed to the moratorium suggested by Mr. Miner. He pushed for making conservation land more accessible and for recognizing people involved in the community with an annual Soul of Andover award. (Ms. Colmore said the *Townsmen* already has the annual Andover Community Spirit Award, and suggested that that award already serves the same purpose.)

• **Bob Nelken**, a pediatrician who served on the Science, Medicine and Technology subcommittee, challenged teachers and school officials to prepare for the new technology. He said the town is fortunate to have Hewlett-Packard, Raytheon, Genetics Institute and the many other companies that already contribute resources and expertise in these areas, and encouraged a greater involvement on the part of businesses in the schools.

• **James Sutton**, Memorial Hall Library director, said he looked around the room and noted that there were no young people in attendance. "We really need to use the kids in our planning for the future," he said.

• **Dick Neal**, schools superintendent, said he had the opportunity on the education committee to work with the people who will be here for the 400th anniversary - the children, from kindergarten on up. One problem recognized on his committee, Mr. Neal said, is that the same new technology that allows people to work at home is fostering isolationism rather than a sense of community. "I

think that is something that we have to be aware of," Mr. Neal said.

• **Karen Herman**, chairwoman of the Andover Preservation Commission and a member of the Environment, Land Use and Development group, said Andover not only needs to be concerned with development in town, but also over its borders in places such as Lawrence and Methuen. "Because what happens in those communities will certainly impact what happens here," Ms. Herman said.

• **Marty Spagat**, owner of Brickstone Properties off York Street and developer of several properties off River Road in West Andover, agreed with Ms. Herman. He said new development in West Andover will greatly increase tax revenues and bring several very good companies to town in the next few years. But development will soon reach full build-out in town, he said, at which point new development will spill over into Methuen and Lawrence, as well as other communities, which will affect what happens here.

• **Cal Mutti**, pastor of South Church, encouraged expansion of the mentoring program that links students with adults and equips them for leadership roles in the community.

• **Ms. Herman** encouraged everyone at the meeting Monday to invite someone to join them in attending town meeting, or in any of their endeavors in town, as a way of getting more people involved.

• **Robert Cummings** said individuals often don't realize how much influence they have on the future. He is involved in

scouting and recounted a discussion he had with a young Scout in which Mr. Cummings mentioned he had attended Cornell University. Some time later he asked the same young man, then an Eagle Scout, what he was doing after high school, and was told the scout was going to study chemical engineering at Cornell. When asked why, the youth responded he'd chosen Cornell after talking with Mr. Cummings. Some time later Mr. Cummings ran into the boy's father and asked after him. He was told the former Eagle Scout was graduating from college and joining the service. You never know the sphere of influence we all have, Mr. Cummings said.

• **Fred Stott**, treasurer of the 350th Committee, was the one who finally suggested that, because the group so impressed him, it should gather again next fall to update the status of the issues discussed.

• **Dr. Larsen**, recapping, said shared jeopardy, recognizing that people need to be needed, is one of the important factors to come out of these discussions. He said the town right now is very caught up in development of buildings, what he humorously referred to as an "edifice complex." He encouraged development of programs to address planning for human needs, as opposed to the physical needs, of the town.

Dr. Larsen also liked the idea of research and development and suggested developing a greater vision for the community. And finally, he offered to buy breakfast for a group of parents and children to see what they feel is needed in town.

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The general's wife, Barbara Deyermund, listens to her husband speak. She says that she knew back in high school when they dated they would spend the rest of their lives together.



Selectman James Barenboim welcomes the general.



Brigadier General John Deyermund told a crowd of about 75 people at Old Town Hall Saturday that he's feeling humble about being a general. He recently met President Clinton, he said, and he talked about his family ties to Andover, which he still considers home. He was promoted to his current rank Oct. 24, and took command of the 3rd Corps Support Command, Weisbaden, Germany, on Oct. 25. Andover's Patriotic Holiday Committee hosted Saturday's reception for the general and his wife, Barbara Deyermund. James Barenboim, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, gave the general a citation from the selectmen and the town. He said, "Now that you have this powerful position, would you have some pull in helping us get Andover High School completed?"

Some of the younger members of the Deyermund clan wait for their famous uncle to arrive. From left, they are, Karl Metzermackers, 14, of Methuen; Meghan Deyermund, 8, of Methuen; Lisa Metzermackers, 17, of Methuen; Laura Deyermund, 10, of Andover; Bryan Deyermund, 10 of Methuen; Kate Deyermund, 15, of New York; and Kelly Deyermund, 13, of Andover.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

General John Deyermund, second from right, stands with some of his brothers and an uncle. From left, they are, Jim Deyermund of Andover, a brother; Ed Deyermund of Sag Harbor, N.Y., a brother; Calvin C. Deyermund, and uncle; the general; and Rich Deyermund of Methuen, another of the general's brothers.



Doctor Dewey...

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ing train and the engine screeched to a hissing stop. The little miss climbed into the only passenger car. The engineer smiled at me, pulled again on his glorious whistle and off they went. Thus we witnessed a 'whistle stop' in action. I have looked ever since for a red-headed girl whenever I drive by the sign which says 'McKinley' near Oren, but I have never see a human being there again."

That combination of history, geography and imagery is typical of what readers will find in a new book by Andover resident Mary Dominick Chivers and her late father, Dr. Dewitt Dominick. *Doctor Dewey* is a compilation of stories written by Dr. Dominick about his experiences growing up, raising a family and operating a medical practice and dude ranch in Northern Wyoming during the heart of the 1900s. Ms. Chivers, of 254 S. Main St., and her mother, Lee, to whom the book is dedicated, spent 10 years compiling, rewriting, editing and checking the facts of the stories. They completed the book earlier this year. The first printing of 1,100 copies is nearly sold out, and a second printing is in the works.

Ms. Chivers talked this week with the *Townsmen* about the work that went into the book, her family and Cody, Wyo., where her mother still lives and the family still maintains the ranch.

Ms. Chivers self-published the book. "We covered our cost and made a tiny little bit on the first printing," she said. Despite exhausting fact-checking, a few corrections and updates will be made in the second printing. Some are oversights, such as the fact that Cody was left off the map in the book. "The guy who did the map didn't put it on. He thought everybody would know."

Others are updates. In the book, her father talks about a family whose colt broke a leg. The vet was away and they asked Dr. Dewey to set it, which he did. At a book signing in Cody over Thanksgiving, the family that owned the colt identified themselves to Ms. Chivers, and their names will now be added to that story.

The book unfolds in chronological order and recounts her father's days from his first introduction to the West at boarding school in Tucson, Ariz., through Yale University and Medical School, where he met his wife, and his having a medical practice and later a dude ranch in the shadow of the Teton Mountains. It reads much like the works of James Herriot, the British veterinarian who wrote about establishing a practice in the country outside London and overcoming the elements to visit his patients.

Dr. Dewey, as he became known, managed to blend into his stories bits of history, especially the expansion of the railroad and the demise of the American Indian. He included incredibly descriptive geographic detail of the rugged land he so obviously loved.

One fault her dad had, according to

Ms. Chivers, was his "braggadocio," tales of his own deerring-do, which she spent so much time trying to tone down. One toned-down passage reads, "... this 'house call' was 60 miles away, over a high mountain pass in the dead of winter and over dirt roads that were at times impassable for two or three weeks at a stretch. In spite of these difficulties, in fact, because of them, both Chet and I were eager to go. We flipped a coin for it, and Chet won." [Chet was a partner at the time.]

While the book is about Dr. Dewey's adventures, it is also a glimpse of the hardships endured by residents of those places and times. Many of the doctor's patients who died did so from ailments that today, in a Boston suburb, might not require an overnight stay in the hospital. Mostly it was because of the time it took to get to them, or get them to medical attention. Overcoming these obstacles, and the characters he meets along the way account for much of the book's color.

One character is Farnie Coe, a bachelor who worked as the caretaker of a ranch for a woman from the East known as Countess Frazeka.

"Farnie was six foot two, two hundred pounds of pure muscle, and built like a wedge. He had a peculiar speech impediment due to a partially cleft palate which caused him to whistle his words while dropping the consonants of each word and blowing heavily on the vowels. Though he rarely went to town, he was well known in Jackson. Legend had it that the barbers refused to shave his black beard and did not like to cut his long, wiry hair because they said it dulled their cutting tools. Very proper Mrs. Crabtree, manager of the Crabtree Hotel and Dining Room, was also wary of Farnie. She knew that he would try to persuade one of her young waitresses to accompany him back to the ranch on the grounds that he expected the Countess Frazeka to arrive any day and he needed a 'chabbin jirl' to hep cheen up the chabbins."

"His peculiarities notwithstanding, Farnie was a genial and inventive companion, and despite Mrs. Crabtree's admonitions, he usually inveigled some pretty, buxom young miss to accompany him, promising her adventure and good wages if she would be a 'chabbin jirl' for ten days or so."

The author

Ms. Chivers was born and grew up in Wyoming, but her parents sent her back East to prep school for her junior and senior years "because they thought that was the thing to do. We would take the train either from Billings (Mont.) or Thermopolis (Wyo.)."

The trip took three days.

She still travels to Wyoming "all the time," but no longer by train. "Now we can fly to Cody."

"I very much still find my spiritual refreshment in Wyoming," Ms. Chivers says. But she and her husband, John Chivers, who teaches at Phillips Academy, also have a house in New Hamp-



Photo by Lisa Adeslberger

Doctor Dewey's daughter, Mary Chivers.

.....

shire, in the White Mountains, and she is now torn between there and Wyoming.

Her father wrote and/or dictated the stories into a recorder during the 1970s, but the manuscript was almost unreadable, Ms. Chivers says.

"He was a wonderful story-teller verbally," but he did a lot of it by bellowing and with hand gestures, she says. "This is the truth! This is the truth!" he would say, which often it wasn't because her dad had embellished the story, Ms. Chivers says.

"Part of it was just me absorbing these stories so carefully... then rewriting them to go together in some way so you'd be pulled along."

She and her mother checked every fact they could, especially in the stories that were told second-hand. They did this through document research and by talking with as many of the people involved in the stories as possible to get more perspective on events. In one case, where her father recounts the murder of a resident, she actually obtained a copy of the sheriff's report on the incident from the daughter of the sheriff who wrote it.

"And people in Cody are helping a lot with the next printing."

Although he was writing the stories for his grandchildren, Ms. Chivers says, her father did not include much biographical material, so she added it at the beginning. She says doing the research and rewriting the stories helped her learn more about her dad.

"I was able to see him more as a person, more as a human being, with more detachment, and that was helpful."

Her father believed these stories, these experiences of old-time cowboys,

the land and the history, were worth preserving, Ms. Chivers says. "He was aware Wyoming was a very special place during his generation."

Although she says the book should have a wider appeal, the people of Wyoming have purchased the bulk of the first printing.

"People in Cody have been loving it - that's why it has been selling out."

The book is only in one bookstore, in Cody. It has been selling by word of mouth and through the mailing list for the family ranch, the 7D, named after Dr. Dominick, his wife and five children. Several surviving members of Dr. Dewey's graduating class from Yale, the class of 1930, have also purchased the book, Ms. Chivers says, because they remember what a character he was even back then.

"It's not a big book, it's a small book. It's about somebody's father. It's a very personal kind of book," Ms. Chivers says. But it reads out loud well and the stories hold up to more than one reading, she says.

"So I think there's some merit in them that would be worth people's time."

She believes they also have merit for the perspective the doctor takes regarding the American Indian, and what she called the "blind spot" that kept the same abolitionists who fought the Civil War to free the slaves from stopping the genocide of Native Americans.

Her father was an environmentalist of sorts in that he hated to see the natural beauty of the land destroyed by mining and development. Ms. Chivers said she is planning to send a copy of the book to President Clinton. He stepped in just before the election, she says, and stopped a deal that would have allowed a Canadian company to mine in the national forest around Cooke City, Mont., an area her father loved and wrote about in the book.

"It was such a godsend that he did that," she said of President Clinton, although she admits she doesn't know what tradeoffs were made in the process.

Epilogue

Her parents were very idealistic and held community service in high esteem, Ms. Chivers says. Near the end of the book, there's a story of her father being asked to serve as grand marshal of the Cody Stampede. Her mother was presented a bouquet of roses at the event and her father was presented a plaque that read, "For Outstanding Service to the Cody Community."

Dr. Dewey died of a heart attack while driving his pickup truck to his ranch in 1982. According to his wishes, his ashes were spread on top of a ridge overlooking Sunlight Basin, the same ridge where he buried his favorite horse, Silver. A granite stone there commemorates "His Favorite Spot."

"It is a fitting place for one who considered the natural beauty of this land close to heaven," the book says. "As he so often exclaimed, 'If it were any better, we couldn't stand it!'"

Doctor Dewey sells for \$18.95. Readers can buy it or order it from Ms. Chivers at 254 S. Main St.; phone 475-6522. Memorial Hall Library has two or three copies of the book.

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It's the process that counts

While most of those attending this week's breakfast meeting of the Andover at 400 committee fretted over Andover's changing population, pointing out the fact that only two people at the table grew up in Andover, Rabbi Robert Goldstein slowly shook his head, obviously taking in the group's thoughts and words.

When he finally spoke, he put the meaning of community into perspective.

"Nice people stay, nice people go," he said. "Results are far less important than process."

What he's saying is that coming together and talking is what counts, what defines us as community. We may meet and even if nothing changes, it was the coming together that made a difference.

When the 350th Committee made a mistake and scheduled the celebration parade on the second day of Rosh Hashana, many people met to talk about the problem. The problem was not resolved, the rabbi pointed out, since the parade date never changed. But the rabbi pointed out that the value was in the airing and discussing of feelings at the time.

"Process is the ultimate goal," said Rabbi Robert Goldstein.

Later, he said, "No matter where our kids live, our job is to raise them to be good citizens."

So rather than fuss about who's going to be living here in 50 years and who is not, our job as a community is to make sure we do a good job while we're here. Then those of us who move on will take those values to our new communities, and help form good community members in another community.

It is good to gather and to talk. It helps us be aware of the needs of our community's members.

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Sam Morris, who attends pre-kindergarten at Pike School, was one of several students who took a field trip recently to Bertucci's in North Andover. The students learned about making pizza.

A night of Christmas joy in China

Jon Reilly grew up in Andover and graduated from Andover High School in 1991. While working on a BA degree in East Asian studies at the College of William and Mary, he was able to spend a year working and studying in China. After graduation in 1995, Mr. Reilly returned to China and taught conversational English for a year at Yantai University in Shandong province. He returned to the states in August of this year and is living in Andover.

Dear Mom and Dad,

Nimen hao! How are you both doing? I'm sorry for how terribly overdue this letter has become. I'll try and put in a lot of stuff to make up for the lateness.

It's the first night of the New Year and there's been a lot happening over the past few weeks. I'd like to start with the whole story of our Christmas in Yantai, China, first so I can (1) tell you all about it and (2) get it down on paper before it all slips from my head.

OK. It's now Jan. 6 when I'm resuming this letter. I sent a postcard when I realized that this would not be completed any time soon. Alison

received a fax Tuesday that her grandmother on her father's side, her "Popo," had died on New Year's Day. It's most frustrating for Alison that on top of her pain there's just no way she can be with her father to comfort him right now. She was able to call her mother (Phyllis) in the

GUEST COLUMN

By JON REILLY

states before she left to go back to Mauritius for the funeral, but her father was in Thailand on business at the time and has flown directly back to Mauritius from there. Alison has no way of calling her parents in Mauritius, but she was able to send a fax from the foreign affairs office, which made her feel a little better. Mostly she just really wishes she could be with her family at a time like this. It's been tough but she's bearing up all right.

Exams are coming up the next two weeks so Alison's busy this weekend preparing her tests. All my exams are oral presentations/interviews, so I'm taking some time to write some

letters while she's typing her stuff out. Last night we went over to Susan's (one of the other American teachers) room to watch some *Seinfeld* and *Friends* episodes on tape she'd received from the states. Susan is older than the rest of the group with a lot more teaching experience in Brazil and in China, and is sort of a mother figure to the group (or maybe a wise, colorful aunt). She even made popcorn for everyone. We managed to borrow a copyright violatory pirated copy of *Last of the Mohicans* from the English department yesterday so we'll all probably get together some time this weekend to watch that on her VCR as a sort of "study break." There's sort of the camaraderie (spelling?) of a college dorm during finals, which is nice.

OK. Alison just went off to use Susan's lap-top (Susan has everything known to modern civilization in her room) to type out her test sheets and my plan is to write for another 15 minutes or so and then go to the market just outside of campus to (1) mail this letter, (2) check for packages at the post office, (3) pick up some photos at the developing

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LETTERS

Andover's holiday lights give her a rush

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Christmas lights give me a rush. They bring back my childhood feelings with the magic of Christmas and visits to Rockefeller Center with my mother to see the lights and decorations.

In the past years Andover's holiday lights have left me cold. They looked to me as if they had been strewn right and left by an

intoxicated giant as he drunkenly stumbled through the center of town.

Not this year! Now, instead of driving down Central Street to avoid the rush-hour traffic on my way home from work, I drive down Main Street to enjoy the sight. I even stop and do some Christmas shopping along the way instead of hurrying home.

I have never been so glad to contribute money to a cause as I was this year when giving to the decoration fund. It certainly was well spent. Two thumbs up!

Leona DeMartino/ Andover

Christmas joy from China

(Continued from page 30)

place, and (4) buy some dumplings (jiaozi) to bring back for lunch around when she'll be ready for the break.

(Re-reading this now, I can't help but notice a certain preoccupation I seem to have with indexing things. And parenthetical commentaries.)

During Christmas week most of the teachers had been teaching some Christmas songs to their classes and Alison even prepared a play based on *The Night Before Christmas* with one class. I taught two of my classes (my two favorites) *Jingle Bells* as that's the only Christmas song I can sing from my head, but I hadn't originally planned on doing any kind of program for the big Christmas assembly for that Thursday, as it was billed as an English department function and I'm business school. But I got hold of a Chinese version of *Joy to the World* ("Pushi Huanteng"), my favorite Christmas song, which I thought would be neat to perform. I've found I can sing better in Chinese than in English anyway. Well, my singing is probably just as god-awful in either language but when singing in Chinese, I at least get the benefit of lowered expectations. Students from my precious 956 class said they'd be willing to sing with me and we got together to practice together once before the big night.

First of all, the assembly hall was packed - I saw students from all my classes, and virtually all the English department students were there as well. Susan, Alison, Dee (another teacher from Ohio State) and I gave some presentations: Susan talked about the origins of the holiday and Alison and I talked about how the holiday would actually be celebrated in our respective households. I did impressions of both of you piling into my bed Christmas Eve morning, recounting the Nativity of Jon Reilly (Dec. 24 is my birthday): Mom (high cackle), "I was in the kitchen getting dinner ready when I felt the first contraction and I knew my Christmas baby was on his way..." Dad (deeper, sarcastic), "Yeah, Jon, I heard your mother screaming her head off from the kitchen and figured I'd go warm up the BMW..." or something like that. They were a great audience and got a kick out of it. It was wonderful for all of us to share our personal traditions and celebrations with the students and each other like that; for me, it made home seem not as far away.

Dee then performed a *Holy Night* solo that literally brought tears to your eyes. The students' *Silent Night*, *Twelve Days of Christ-*

mas, *Jingle Bells* followed. It was a real shared effort and celebration between the foreign teachers, the performing students and the whole audience, who had been given lyric sheets at the door and were encouraged to sing along, which they did.

When it came time for my performance with my students (which was received charitably), I noticed that of the mixed group of 20 or so students who'd volunteered to sing with me and had come to rehearsal, only the women had showed up for the actual assembly. So I was singing with just a dozen young freshman girls singing behind me - "Jon's harem," as Alison goodnaturedly labeled them. Anyway, after that, Susan showed some video segments from Christmas movies, and I swear the most amazing part of the whole evening was watching this sea of 600 young Chinese faces staring in utter transfixed wonder at Kermit the Frog, Miss Piggy and Gonzo the Great in *The Muppet Christmas Carol*.

These students are so young as a group and work so hard and often do not find the opportunities they expect after graduation. The jobs go to the people with money and connections (guanxi) who will be shuffled through to their degree and cushy positions after graduation whether they work or not. For a lot of these students, university at times is not more than a process of being stripped of some long-cherished myths about their society and its system. I have talked with a lot of students who complain of a feeling of emptiness in their lives - a lot of constant work, a lack of real spirituality and faith, and no guarantee that their efforts will yield anything, after all.

That's a bleaker picture, perhaps, than is completely accurate, but I only paint it to show how heartwarming and fulfilling it was to give them an evening of fun with a real spirit of connecting with each other as human beings - not to be too corny about it, but a night of Christmas joy. That was what it felt like, especially at the end when Alison's students came out to give their performance of *The Night Before Christmas* complete with a fully made-up Santa Claus who gave out presents to lucky students who had drawn the right numbers at the door. The students thought it was the most exciting and fun thing in the world.

OK. I'm going to do this letter in two installments, as I really need to head out and bring back lunch. I'll send photos with this one and start on the next when I get back. Until then, love and hugs and kisses to both of you. Give each other a big hug.

Genetics to sell balance of stock for \$1 billion

By Don Staruk

American Home Products Corp. of New Jersey will exercise an option to purchase the outstanding capital stock in Genetics Institute. The deal, announced Tuesday, Dec. 17, will benefit members of Genetics' management who own stock in the company, but should not affect the company's operations here in town.

Genetics has about 700 employees in Andover and 500 in Cambridge. Nearly all the Genetics' employees from both locations were called to a meeting at the Rolling Green Ramada Hotel on Lowell Street in Andover Wednesday morning to discuss the buyout.

Under a 1992 agreement in which American acquired 60 percent of Genetics' stock, it also had an option on the remaining roughly 40 percent. AHP is paying \$85 per share on the option. The value of the 40 percent is

about \$1 billion, according to a statement from American.

Genetics will become a separate subsidiary of AHP under the leadership of Fred Hassan, an executive vice president with AHP. Gabriel Schmergel, president and CEO of Genetics, will retire in January but stay on as a consultant. Patrick Gage, Genetics COO, will succeed Mr. Schmergel as president.

Genetics broke ground in October for the newest addition at its Burt Road facility in Ballardvale, a 110,000-square-foot laboratory and office building. The new building will give the company about 500,000 square feet of office, laboratory and production space at the site, about half of what the company hopes will become a 1 million-square-foot campus here. The company expects to have 1,800 to 2,000 employees working at the Andover facility at full build out.

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"I enjoy thinking creatively about all different kinds of business situations," he said.

Mr. Gerstberger has an undergraduate degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an M.S. and Ph.D from M.I.T.'s Sloan School of Management. With more than 27 years man-

agement consultant experience, six of which with Arthur D. Little, he specializes in business and corporate strategy and has worked both with large publically held companies and privately-held businesses. Among his clients have been McGraw Hill, Beatrice, International Multi-foods, commercial real estate companies and businesses overseas.

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An Andover resident since 1971, he commuted to Boston, but 18 months ago moved the consulting firm to Andover and is focusing some of his consulting activities on the Merrimack Valley.

Mr. Gerstberger is a member of Business Network International, a networking group in Andover. He is an avid skier, a licensed pilot, and has a daughter who works at the National Institute of Health and a son attending St. John's Prep in Danvers. His wife teaches school in Woburn.

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Tuesday, Dec. 10 - At 9:06 a.m., Daniel J. Wholley, 30, of Plaistow, N.H., was arrested on Burt Road and charged on two warrants, one for operating uninsured and the other for operating without a license.

Wednesday, Dec. 11 - At 1:42 a.m., Cesar A. Marinaro, 34, of A-5 Colonial Drive, was arrested on Route 125 and charged with operating under the influence (alcohol-third offense), operating after suspension for OUI-alcohol, unauthorized use of a

motor vehicle, failure to display registration plates, failure to keep right with an obstructed view, and on two warrants - one for operating after suspension and the other for operating under the influence (alcohol-second offense). The car Mr. Marinaro was driving had been reported stolen in Saugus.

Thursday, Dec. 12 - At 7:14 a.m., Gabriele J. Deome, 23, of Haverhill, was arrested on Bartlet Street and charged with speeding, operating after revoca-

tion of his license, operating uninsured and unregistered, a stop sign violation, failure to stop for a

police officer and wanton damage to property.

Sunday, Dec. 15 - At 1:58 a.m., Jozef F.

Malobecki, 44, of Lowell, was arrested on Main Street and

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Your Dental HEALTH

by Richard D. Hopgood, D.M.D.

TOOTH BLEACHING

Not only do teeth become stained as a result of drinking coffee and smoking, but the also yellow with age. Other reasons for tooth discoloration include taking mild antibiotics (such as tetracycline and tetracycline) for a long period of time, fluorosis (a brownish stain caused by tap water with a high fluoride content), as well as tooth discoloration due to trauma or root canals. To improve the appearance of their teeth, patients may have to turn to the most conservative procedure available for this purpose. Power bleaching involves isolating the teeth from the gum tissue, then applying a gel containing a high concentration of hydrogen peroxide to the teeth. This is repeated for several appointments. In the past, a high-powered light was shone on the teeth to activate the bleaching process, but that is no longer necessary with today's bleaching substances.

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charged with operating under the influence (alcohol) and failure to stay in marked lanes.

At 3:12 a.m., Thomas C. Stein, 30, of Wrentham, was arrested on South Main Street and charged with operating under the influence (alcohol-second offense). The arrest followed two reports of dangerous operation of a red Ford LTD. The first allegedly occurred on Interstate 93 northbound and the LTD was reported to have exited at Lowell Street and headed toward town. The second occurred on Route 28 near Phillips Academy. An officer then spotted Mr. Stein's vehicle, which fit the description, near 470 S. Main St. and made the arrest.

Monday, Dec. 16 - At 3:19 p.m., John Mesquita, 19, of 10 Stirling St., was arrested on Railroad Street and charged with possession of a class-A substance (heroin), resisting arrest and carrying a dangerous weapon (a small knife).

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Dec. 11 - At 5:06 p.m., a Wabanaki Way resident reported a taxi and deliveries from Peking Garden, King's Subs and Papa Ginos were at her house, "none of which they called for."

Friday, Dec. 13 - At 12:38 a.m., a Frye Cir-

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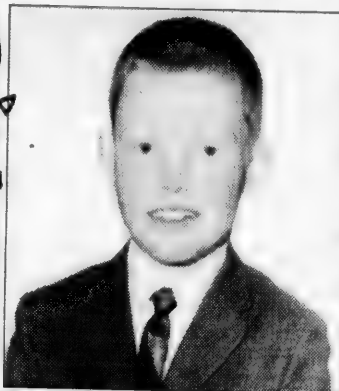
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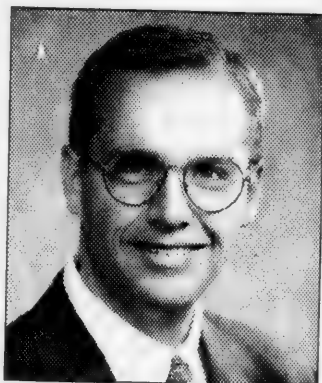
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cle resident reported her dog was going into convulsions. An officer reported he "gave the dog a glass of water and patted him on the head." The owner was to take the animal to the vet in the morning.

At 1:34 p.m., Dino International Furs, 33 Main St., reported receiving a bomb threat over the telephone.

ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, Dec. 10 - At 11:37 a.m., a back injury was reported after an accident in the BayBank parking lot, behind 23 Main St.

Wednesday, Dec. 11 - At 1:45 a.m., a motorist reported hitting two deer on Lowell Street near the Internal Revenue Service building. He was not injured, but his car was damaged. The deer were killed and a resident was called to take away

the carcasses.

At 5:24 a.m., Andover police assisted state police with an accident on Interstate 93 southbound.

At 6:41 a.m., an accident was reported near 10 High St.

At 7:35 a.m., a hit-

and-run accident was reported near 12 Walnut Ave.

At 9:57 a.m., an accident was reported near 100 Central St.

At 2:32 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported near 15 Main St.

At 2:54 p.m., a mail truck was reported damaged in a hit-and-run accident involving a

mail truck near 1 Argilla Road.

At 5:32 p.m., a three-car accident with injuries was

reported on Route 125 near Hillside Avenue (Andover's Highland Road) in North Andover.

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At 9:32 p.m., two (Continued on page 37)

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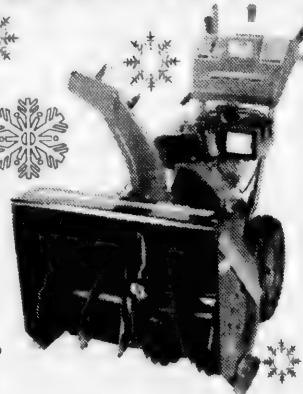
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or three cars were reported involved in an accident near 248 Highland Road.

Friday, Dec. 13 - At 12:58 p.m., an accident involving a truck was reported on Dascomb Road at Frontage Road.

At 4:06 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported in the rear lot at 90 Main St.

At 5:18 p.m., a pedestrian was reported struck by a car near 20 River Road, near the Lawrence line. Irene Balczukiewicz, 46, of 800 Bulfinch Drive, Apt. 103, was taken to Lawrence General Hospital then flown to Boston with multiple trauma, according to Andover Fire Department personnel. She was struck

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by a car driven by Kevin Inches, 33, of Pelham, N.H., who had just left work and was headed west on River Road. According to police, Mr. Inches never saw the victim until he struck her on the passenger side of his vehicle. A witness who was stopped waiting to come out of Bulfinch onto River Road said she also never saw the victim until Ms. Balczukiewicz landed in front of her car. A Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority bus driver told police he had just let the victim off the bus on the south side of River Road, but never saw her cross the street. Rain, dark and the fact that Ms. Balczukiewicz was wearing dark clothing all contributed to the accident, according to police. No charges have been filed.

Saturday, Dec. 14 - At 8:01 a.m., an accident was reported near 36 Lowell St.

At 9:12 a.m., a dog was reported hit and killed near 291 S. Main St.

At 5:46 p.m., a car struck a utility pole in front of the Ninety-Nine restaurant, 464 Lowell St.

At 8:15 p.m., a car reportedly went through a fence and onto a front lawn near 379 N. Main St. Traffic was detoured to Poor Street.

Sunday, Dec. 15 - At 5:57 p.m., an accident was reported near 20 Frontage Road.

Monday, Dec. 16 - At 2:44 a.m., an accident was reported near 94 Bellevue Road.

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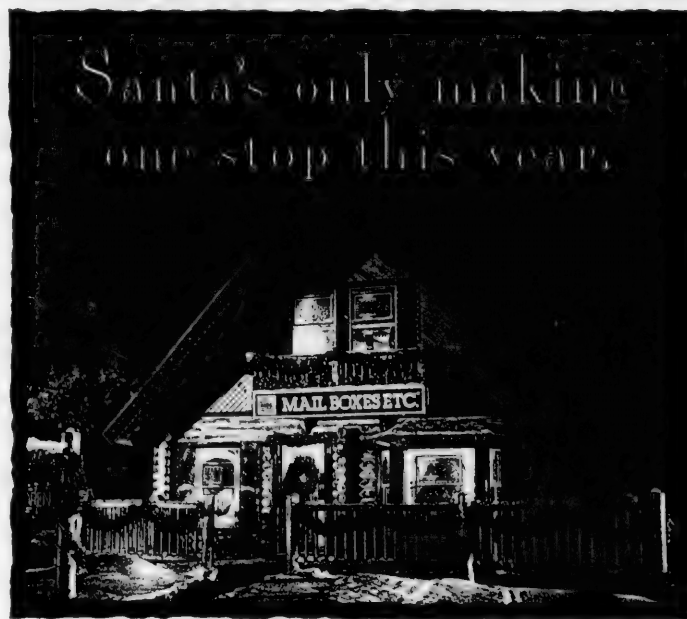
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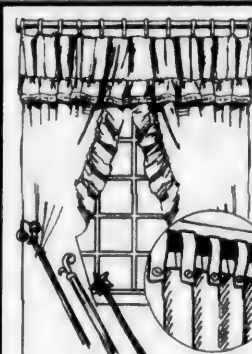
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At 7:53 a.m., an accident was reported near 14 N. Main St.

At 8:56 p.m., an accident with injuries was reported near 28 Vine St.

At 9:15 p.m., Andover police assisted state police with several cars that reportedly spun out and struck each other on Route 495 at Route 28.

BREAKS

Tuesday, Dec. 10 - At 12:48 p.m., a radio was reported taken in a car break near Papa Gino's in Shawsheen Plaza.

Saturday, Dec. 14 - At 7:50 p.m., a radio was reported taken in a car break at Shawsheen Sunoco, 180 N. Main St.

Monday, Dec. 16 - At 8:03 a.m., a car break was reported on Spring Valley Drive.

THEFTS

Tuesday, Dec. 10 - At 9:42 a.m., a wallet was reported missing at Mast Industries, 100 Old River Road.

At 3:40 p.m., money was reported taken from a house on Lewis Street.

Thursday, Dec. 12 - At 10:54 a.m., a riding lawn mower was reported taken from the old milk farm property on Jenkins Road.

At 6:15 p.m., a laptop computer was reported taken from a room at the Andover Marriott on Old River Road.

At 7:33 p.m., a theft from a banquet room was reported at the Marriott.

Monday, Dec. 16 - At 7:46 p.m., jewelry was reported missing from an apartment on Colonial Drive.

VANDALISM

Tuesday, Dec. 10 - At 11:40 a.m., a car was reported damaged while parked at Greater Lawrence Technical School on

High School, 100 Shawsheen Road.

CAR THEFTS

Wednesday, Dec. 11 - At 12:03 a.m., a Ford Tempo reported taken from Lawrence was recovered at the Andover Marriott.

At 6:06 p.m., a car was reported taken from North Main Street. (The car was recovered the next day in Lawrence)

At 10:07 p.m., a car reported taken in Methuen was recovered on Kensington

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championship and consolation games scheduled on Saturday.

Andover is hosting the tourney this year at Dunn Gym.

Other non-league games are Jan. 17 at Bishop Fenwick; Super Bowl Sunday (Jan. 26) against visiting St. Raphael of Pawtucket, R.I. (1 p.m.); and the regular season finale Feb. 16, at home against Brookline (5:30 p.m.).

"St. Raphael is one of the top teams in Rhode Island. We made the connection when our girls played them in the Stonehill Tournament over the summer," said Tildsley.

The Lady Warriors defeated Masconomet, Timberlane Regional of Plaistow, N.H., and Manchester (N.H.) Central in their first three pre-season scrimmages. A final tuneup was scheduled last weekend in a quad-scrimmage with Central Mass. power North Middlesex Regional, Narragansett (R.I.) High and Burlington.

Assistant coaches once again are Sue Cosgrove (JVs) and Jay Darin (freshmen).

Previous coaching stints for Tildsley were with the Wilmington High varsity men (1979-'85) and Wilmington varsity women (1991-'94).

The Andover women lost to Methuen, 65-42, in the opening round of last year's Division 1 North Tournament.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Andover High men's varsity basketball team took its lumps last winter, playing one of the state's toughest schedules and finishing 10-13 overall.

It was the first sub-.500 record for eighth-year head coach Dave Fazio, whose team nonetheless had a more-than-respectable 8-5 mark in the difficult Large School Division of the Merrimack Valley Conference.

"Last season was a good learning experience," said Fazio, who enters tomorrow night's opener with an overall won-loss record of 108-50 at AHS. "We had graduated seven seniors from the year before (including 1,000-point scorer Eric Danis and Matt Gisbon), so we weren't expecting miracles.

"We've licked our wounds and now it's time to step up. We return our starting center, point-guard and one wing. If we

can fill in the other pieces of the puzzle we'll be fine.

"I think we're going to be a very good basketball team, but the problem is every other Large School Division team should be outstanding as well," said Fazio.

The five senior graduates from the 1995-'96 club are Pat Sharkey (attending Brown University), Paul McNeice (Babson College), Chris Mann (Holy Cross), Jeff Thomp-

son (University of New Hampshire) and Ken Oppenheim (Salem State).

McNeice and Sharkey were the second and third leading scorers last year with 218 and 201 points respectively.

The turnout earlier this month included 85 candidates, with 20 junior/seniors, 20 sophomores and 45 freshmen.

Returning varsity starters are senior 6'8"

center and Captain Corry McLaughlin, senior 6'2" forward and Captain

Mark O'Sullivan and junior 6'0" point-guard Brendan Long.

McLaughlin poured in a team-high 334 points last season, after scoring

50 as a sophomore. "Corry's a little (Continued on page 42)

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stronger this year," said Fazio. "He weighs about 200 pounds and he should do a good job for us on the boards. A lot of teams will double-team him down low, which means we'll need some good shooting from our wing people."

Long scored 128 points and O'Sullivan 85 last season.

Returning lettermen are senior 6'3" forward Dave Hajjar (27 points), senior 6'2" guard Ryan Games (30 points), senior 5'9" guard Chris Drizen, senior 6'0" guard Pat Annese (25 points), senior 6'2" forward Joe Sciollo and junior 6'3" forward Jeff Danis (44 points).

Completing the 13-man varsity roster are four players up from last year's 12-6 JV team, junior point-guard Rob Oppenheim (5'8"), junior guard Joe Maglio (6'1"), sophomore forward Brian Anderson (6'2") and sophomore guard Dave Codinsky (6'0").

Anderson suffered a broken ankle during pre-season and is expected to be sidelined another two weeks.

"We have some good athletic bodies," said Fazio. "Games, Maglio and Danis play football and most of the team also plays baseball."

"We always stress defense and these guys can really defend."

Stats and facts

Following the Haverhill game, Andover moves right to the Greater Lawrence Christmas Tournament, where it has a favorable draw this year.

The Golden Warriors open with a quarterfinal round game against former Andover High standout Arthur Yancy's Greater Lawrence Regional crew on Sunday evening at 5 p.m. at Merrimack College.

A victory moves AHS into a semifinal round 8 p.m. feature game on Thursday, Dec. 26, against the winner of the opening rounder between Lawrence High and Salem, N.H.

The tournament title game is Sunday, Dec. 29.

New Bedford has been axed from the non-league schedule and replaced by Barnstable, which Andover plays Feb. 2 (home) and Feb. 9 (away).

Other non-leaguers are against Needham (Jan. 11, home) and Lexington (Jan. 18, away).

Returning assistant coaches are Bob Hatem

(JVs) and Paul Willis (freshmen), while volunteer assistants are Peter Albano and Carol Martini.

Pre-season scrimmages were held against Middlesex League teams Belmont and Melrose.

Coach Fazio sees a veteran Central Catholic (his alma mater) team as the MVC Large School favorite, with Andover, Lowell, Methuen and Haverhill just a shade behind the Raiders.

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then placing second to Reading High and the men finishing fourth in the State Class B Meet.

Coach Art Iworsley begins his 20th season with the program, including his 12th as women's head coach and ninth as men's head, with an optimistic view.

"It's great to have 180 kids out, although at times it gets unwieldy because you want to give everyone a fair shot. We have a good mixture of veterans and newcomers on both teams, and how well we do depends on how quickly the younger kids mature."

Assistant coaches are Brenda Clark Warne (distance runners), Peter Comeau (high jump, hurdles) and Scott Petrie (shot putters).

Andover held one pre-season scrimmage against Londonderry, N.H. at the field house, and had a second with Reading cancelled by a snowstorm.

Andover men

Key graduates from last year

include miler Charlie Russo (attending Villanova University), sprinter Josh Hatch (UMass-Amherst), hurdler Erik DeMarco (Boston College), Alex Dalis (R.P.I.), Naldo Ash, Adam Westaway, Leo Blais, Vinnie Dolan, Mike Shaughnessy and Rudy Morando.

Leading candidates in the 50-yard hurdles this season are senior Captain Peter Ellis, junior Phil Ayoub, sophomores Long Dang, Ryan Dubasak and freshman Ryan Slavin.

Top 50 dashmen are senior Captain Tim Smith, junior veteran Matt Aufiero, junior Brent Sinusky, senior Dave Sullivan, sophomore Matt Spitzer and freshman Jeremy Spiegel.

The 300 sprinters include senior Jeff Bellistri, junior Roger Yeh, freshman Charlie Gregory, Smith, Aufiero and Spitzer.

Top prospects in the middle distances are junior Hasan Erdem (600), sophomore Evan Stuart (600), senior Captain Donnie Pattullo

(1000), senior Matt Bausemer (1000), junior Andy Turco (1000) and freshman John Lakow (1000).

Topping the list in the distance races, the mile and two-mile, are senior Captain Matt Herling, senior Todd Collins, junior Chris Rillahan and freshman Greg Stamm.

High jumpers include Ellis, Smith, seniors Craig Hartwell and Mike Orlandela, sophomore Mark Herling and freshman Eric Green.

Shot putters are senior Kris Rolfes, juniors Dan Barch, Steve Scarpulla and freshman Adam Spiller.

Coach Iworsley expects defending MVC Large School champ Central Catholic to be the team to beat once again, while Lowell and Tewksbury should also be strong.

Andover women

The Lady Warriors will surely miss three of the top female track athletes ever to compete at the school, distance ace Susan Ashlock (Dartmouth College), hurdler-sprinter-long jumper Missy Famiglietti (Rhode Island College) and sprinter Randi Spiegel (Union College).

Other key graduates include distance runners Erin Collins and Christine Contos, along with sprinters Laura Burkle and Kim Young.

Top 50 hurdlers this winter are senior Catherine Ostrofsky, juniors Jessica Puccia, Judy Huang and

freshman Liz Wheeler.

Leading prospects in the 50 dash are juniors Barbara Contos and Beth Har, sophomore Norma Matos and freshmen Lindsay Ravens, Lindsay Coy and Emily Wooten.

Senior Captain Leah Sciabarrasi tops the list in the 300 dash, along with senior Nolia Hill, sophomores Jen Lambert, Shannon Callahan-Higgins and freshman Megan Munroe.

In the middle distances it will be junior Nikki Winters (600), sophomore Leslie Ring (600), freshman Kacie Dexter (600), senior Captain Abby Clarke (1000), senior Captain Jocelyn Gould (1000) and junior Liz Kelley (1000).

Handling the distance races, mile and two-mile, will be sophomores Kristen Munson, Katherine Blais and Pam

Muller, senior Jessica Youell and junior Meghan Roth.

High jumpers include seniors Stephanie Brown and Captain Erin Harris, sophomore Lisa Verreault and freshmen Jillian Redding, Sarah Filpen, Liz Connors and Alexis Contos.

Brown will be joined in the shot put by junior Julie Flynn and sophomores Michelle Mills, Nicki Shoemaker, Kirza Sanchez and Lori Volpe.

Barbara Contos (50), Munson (two-mile) and Brown (high jump) all scored points in the State Class B Meet last winter.

Coach Iworsley expects defending Small School champion Tewksbury, Chelmsford and possibly Lowell to battle his team for MVC honors this time around.

Field House track to open to residents

The indoor track in the new Andover High School Field House will be open to Andover residents only for walking, jogging and running, beginning Monday, Jan. 6.

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Premises affected are located at 23 TEWKSBURY STREET, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 157 as Lot 33.

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Premises affected are located at 165 HAVERHILL STREET, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence B District and is shown on Assessor's Map 1 as Lot 5A.

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Premises affected are located at 2 CHESTNUT STREET, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 55 s Lot 85.

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12/19/96

TOWN OF ANDOVER FINAL PICK-UP OF TREE LIMBS NOTICE

A final town-wide pick-up of tree limbs will commence at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 21, 1996. Only limbs (maximum of 4" in diameter and 4' lengths) will be picked up.

PLEASE NOTE: SATURDAY IS THE FINAL PICK-UP OF TREE LIMBS.

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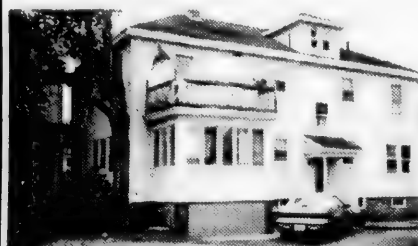
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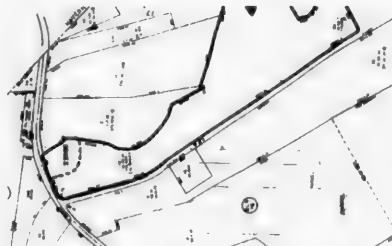
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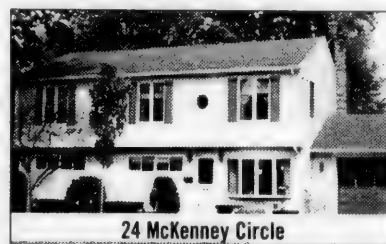
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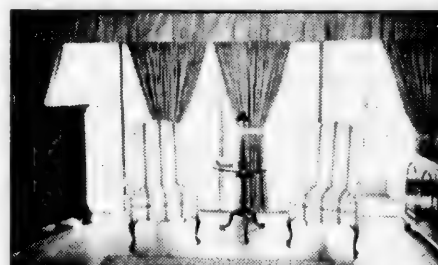
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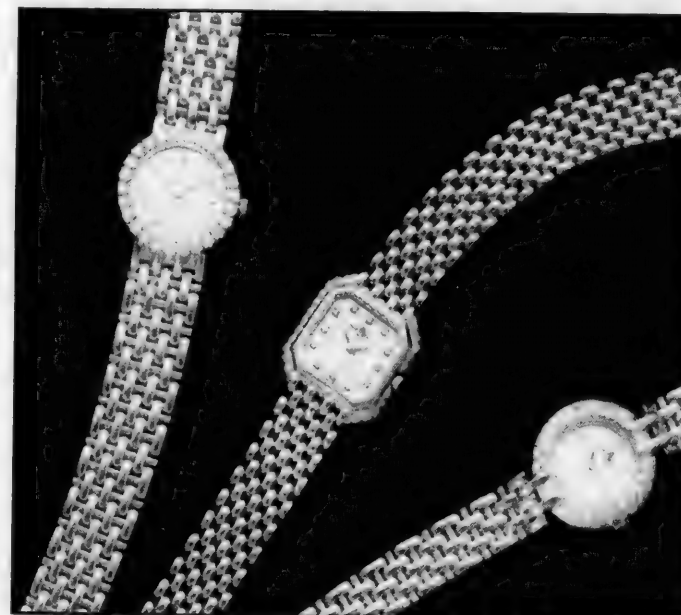


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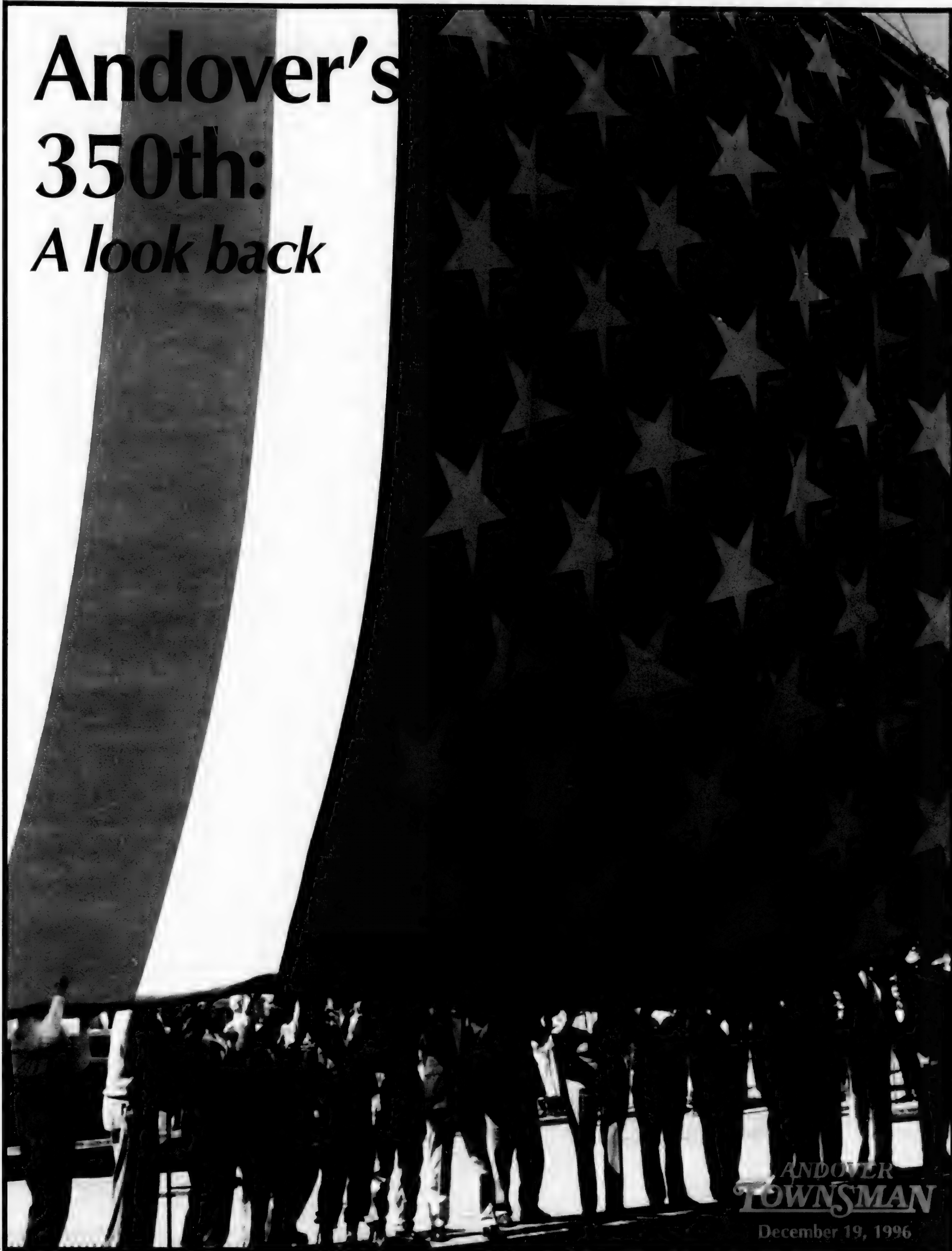
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Andover's 350th Anniversary: The year in review

Andover celebrated the 350th anniversary of its founding - May 6, 1646 - all year long, starting with an Inaugural Concert Jan. 21 and winding down with closing ceremonies and the entombment of a time capsule in the basement of Old Town Hall Dec. 8. The following pages contain pictures of many of the events, and excerpts from the 350th Anniversary Journal. The 350th Anniversary Journal, compiled by Janet Caiati for the 350th Anniversary Committee, chronicles the year's events.

Interfaith Service and Inaugural Concert

On Sunday, Jan. 21, hardy Andoverites launched the celebration



of their town's 350th birthday with a service at South Church, then paraded a half mile through snow-packed streets to the Inaugural Concert in Cochran Chapel at Phillips Academy.

At the Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving, representatives from Andover's churches and temples reflected upon the town's beginnings, history and future. The Middlesex County Volunteers Fifes and Drums then led the clergy and congregation up School Street to the chapel. Music from Andover's many church bells rang through the cold air as they marched.

An overflow crowd witnessed and participated in the two-hour Inaugural Concert at Cochran Chapel, which featured portrayals of 10 individuals

◀ The 350th celebration began in January with the ringing of church bells and the Interfaith Service Jan. 21. Participants then marched to Cochran Chapel for the Inaugural Concert.

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whose lives helped shape the history of the town. These were a Native American; poet Anne Bradstreet; South Church's first minister, the Rev. Samuel Phillips Sr.; Phillips Academy founder, Judge Samuel Phillips Jr.; President George Washington; slave - and, eventually, free holder - Black Lucy Foster; abolitionist writer Harriet Beecher Stowe; immigrant John Doherty; WWI aviator Alexander Bruce; and historian, early AVIS president and town character, Bessie Goldsmith. The Inaugural closed, as did all 350th musical events throughout the year, with the singing of *America*, written in Andover in 1831.

U.S.O. dance

On Saturday night, March 23, soldiers and their Satin Dolls gyrated once more in a hotel ballroom that had traveled back in time to become a USO dance hall.

The theme of the USO dance was chosen to honor Andover veterans and to celebrate two birthdays - the town's 350th, and the 50th anniversary of the ending of World War II. The Grand Ballroom at Ramada Rolling Green rang with the big band sounds of Bo Winiker's Swing Orchestra, and many of the jitterbuggers dressed for the occasion, shoe-horning themselves into satin skirts, 50-year-old military uniforms and costumes that ran the gamut from Rosie the Riveter's overalls to Punchard High School regalia.



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Norma Gammon, 350th Anniversary Committee chairwoman, with Bob Phinney at the USO Dance in January.

Cover photo: The Mount Rushmore Flag was unfurled over Elm Square during the 350th Anniversary Grand Parade Sept. 15.
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Andover at 400

Lurking in the shadows of any anniversary is the question, "What about tomorrow?" The planners of Andover's 350th birthday celebration decided to look 50 years ahead to the next major benchmark in the town's history: Where will Andover be when it turns 400?

The program "Andover at 400" was launched on Feb. 7 with a dinner at Old Town Hall that featured a lecture by futurist Joseph F. Coates. The first of the five scheduled library forums, "Business, Industry and Money," followed on March 6, with Digital founder and visionary Kenneth Olsen as guest speaker.

Andover citizens who delight in

probing and projecting in their chosen fields led the four remaining forums: "Education," "The Environment, Land Use and Development," "Science, Medicine and Technology," and "The Soul of Andover."

The merit of the series will have to be evaluated in 2046 by a 400th Anniversary Committee that the majority of current residents will never meet. As noted in a statement printed on the flyleaf of the "Andover at 400" program. "We have no crystal balls, no scientific instruments, only human insights, values, aspirations and judgments. Our legacy to those who shall live in the future is a vision of our knowledge and hope for their world."



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Jeff Smidt, left, plays Rev. John Woodbridge, and John Parafinczuk plays Edmund Faulkner, in a re-enactment at West Elementary School of the purchase of the town by Mr. Faulkner for six pounds and a fur coat.



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Doris Kearns Goodwin spent the time chatting with admirers and signing copies of her book, *No Ordinary Time*. Shown with her are, Bunny Maren, from left, Bill Maren and Lucille Palubinskas.

Doris Kearns Goodwin

Doris Kearns Goodwin's 350th Anniversary lecture, "To Preserve and Protect: The Story of the American Presidency," was advertised as "the most interesting Sunday afternoon you will spend all year." Few in the crowd of more than 900 who sat in the Collins Center on March 31 would consider the phrase an overstatement.

For 90 minutes, the petite histori-

an, biographer and lecturer held her audience spellbound with non-stop anecdotes and historical footnotes about some of America's most high-profile presidencies.

A former White House fellow and Harvard professor, Dr. Goodwin has written a number of best-selling books, including *Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream*, *The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys*, and *No Ordinary Time*, for which she won the Pulitzer Prize.

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Festival of Arts Week

Music, art and drama reigned during Fine Arts Festival week, April 21-28. The week featured special activities at all Andover schools, and performances by artists from throughout the community.

The festivities began with a Sunday afternoon concert, *Stars and Stripes Forever*, at Cochran Chapel, Phillips Academy. The program of early-through-contemporary American music featured performances by organist Carolyn Skelton and the 350th Festival Brass Ensemble.

Tuesday through Thursday, Andover hosted an All-Town Fine Arts Exhibit at Memorial Hall Library, Andover Baptist Church, the Unitarian church and Old Town Hall. On display were works by local artists of all ages – paintings, photographs, sculpture, drawings, prints and collages.

The subject was Andover and its buildings, natural settings and people. Local musicians performed at a gala opening on the evening of April 23, which was celebrated at each of the "galleries."

The performing arts again took the spotlight on Friday night, April 26, when the 350th Art Celebration Committee presented *Let Music Swell the Breeze* at Case Memorial Cage, Phillips Academy. In keeping with the words from the 350th Anniversary logo, "Andover – the home of America," the event's name was drawn from the text of that anthem.

A cast of hundreds – singers, dancers and instrumentalists from Phillips Academy, the Andover and North Andover public schools, the Treble Chorus of New England, the Andover Community Chorus, the Andover Choral Society and the Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Society – played to a large house.

Featured were works by Aaron Copland and Leonard Bernstein, and pieces written by composer Daniel



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

The Anniversary Festival Orchestra Dancers perform before a crowd of more than 1,000 during *Let Music Swell the Breeze* April 26 in the Cage at Phillips Academy.

Pinkham, a Phillips graduate, expressly for the anniversary celebration. These included *The Tenth Muse*, which was set to music verse by Andover's Anne Bradstreet, the first author published in America.

A carousel also graced the Cage, and a parade of costumed characters danced in the aisles as the Festival Brass Ensemble played John Philip Sousa's *Stars and Stripes Forever*.

On Saturday night, Andover Community Theatre presented Thornton Wilder's *Our Town* at Doherty Memorial Auditorium. The play, first produced on Broadway in 1938, is a meditation on the life of a New England town at the turn of the 20th century. It featured a cast of 28, most of whom were from Andover.

Fine Arts Festival Week closed on Sunday afternoon with a one-woman show about Amelia Earhart by actress/playwright Linda Myer. It was presented at Memorial Hall Library through the sponsorship of the Friends of the Library.



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Jennifer Powers, left, and Lindsey Strube, Andover High juniors, performed in *Let Music Swell the Breeze*, the anniversary concert in the Cage at Phillips Academy in April.



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Chris Desjardins, from left, Lisa Mueller and Antonio Beliveau, sophomores at Andover High, took part in the anniversary concert as members of the school's choral group. At right, Andover artist Fran McCormick with some of her artwork that was part of the event.



1996 State Preservation awards

Every year, the Massachusetts Historical Commission recognizes a few outstanding individuals and organizations for special contributions to historic preservation in their communities. The State Preservation Awards are prestigious and selective; this year, only 11 winners were chosen from 175 state-wide nominations.

These 1996 winners received their awards in a most appropriate setting: With members of the state and local historical commissions and Secretary of State William Galvin in attendance, they were called to the podium in a carefully-restored 138-year-old former town hall in the center of a town celebrating its 350th birthday.

The awards ceremony and reception were held on the evening of May 15 in the Andover Town House. Among those honored was Andover resident Richard Marino, for his restoration of the old railway station.

Mr. Marino's project is the fifth Andover winner in five years. Previously recognized were McKeen Hall at Abbot Academy (interior and exterior restoration, 1992), West Parish Church (steeple and interior, 1993), Jane Griswold's *Eagle Tribune* column, "Sunday Drive" (promotion of heritage education, 1994), and South Church (steeple restoration, 1995).



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Virginia Lopez-Begg in her 12 Lamancha Way garden, one of those featured on the Gates & Gables tour.

Gates & Gables

Nearly 1,200 visitors spent a weather-perfect Saturday, June 15, touring homes, gardens and churches from nearly every era of Andover's architectural history.

"Gates and Gables," presented by the Andover Historical Society and the 350th Anniversary Committee, offered inside views of 16 sites, including 10 private homes whose styles ranged from 17th-century First Period to 20th-century Contemporary.

Two award-winning private perennial gardens, as well as West Parish Church (1826), South Church (1861), West Parish Cemetery Stone Chapel (1909), and the Historical Society's Amos Blanchard House (1819), were also featured.



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ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

Andover celebrated the anniversary of its incorporation - May 6, 1646 - with a weekend of musket drills, pancakes, English visitors and sack races. And rain.

Saturday, May 4, dawned overcast over the Park where elements of the 28th and 6th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry units and the 5th Artillery battery assembled for drills and firing by regiment. The clouds added an uneasy touch of authenticity for modern Civil War buffs portraying soldiers and camp followers.

On Main Street, town officials and other volunteers served a pancake breakfast. A Dixieland band pumped out tunes as hundreds of townspeople enjoyed street performers and a precision-riding exhibition by young unicyclists from Andover, N.H.

Behind Doherty Middle School volunteers from 28 Andover non-profit groups provided refreshments at an International Food Festival. Families held a field day on the athletic fields nearby, tossing eggs and hopping through the damp grass in Groucho-

glasses and potato sacks.

A downpour closed the day's events in midafternoon. The weather will be remembered as a part of the festivities. Field day competitors signed their names on a rain-spattered chart, which has been placed in a time capsule, to be opened at the 400th Anniversary Celebration.

The sun rose Sunday morning, May 5, and a congregation of more than 500 celebrated Mass at the encampment. In the early afternoon, soldiers and townspeople ate ham and beans together. A portrayer of President Abraham Lincoln spoke at the bandstand in the Park. Famed abolitionist Harriet Beecher Stowe addressed those gathered in the Park, then led them in a parade to the steps of Memorial Hall Library. There, the troops - together with town officials and Ian R. Carr, mayor of Andover, England - rededicated the library to the memory of Andover's Civil War veterans.

Later, the library presented *Harriet Beecher Stowe: The Andover Years*, a one-woman play written by local historian Juliet Mofford.



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Saturday, May 4, dawned overcast and foreboding over the Park, where elements of the 28th and 6th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry units and the 5th Artillery battery assembled for drills and firing by regiment.



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Hannah Severin of North Andover was more impressed with other goings-on than the food during May 6 pancake breakfast in the Park.

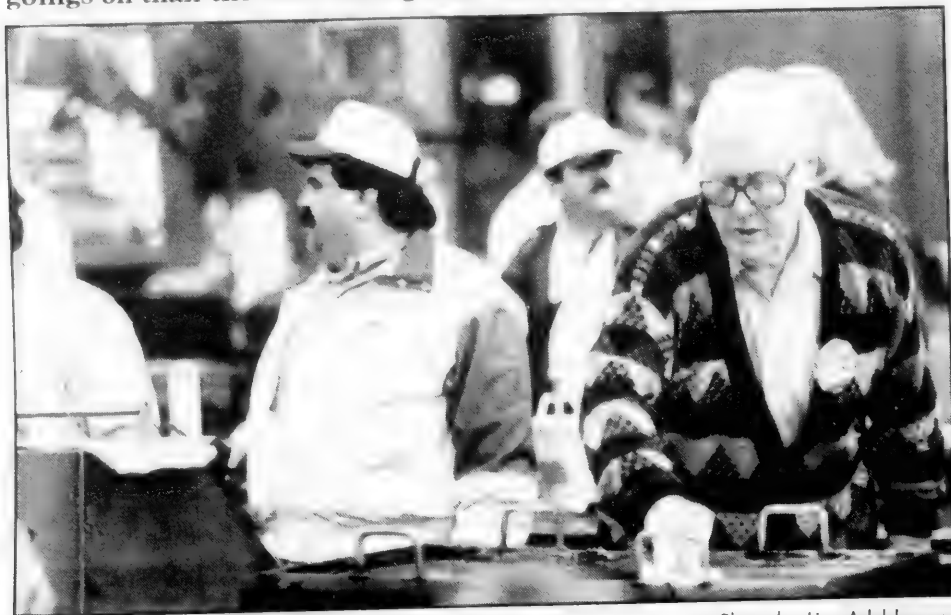


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Fire Lt. James Cuticchia, left, and Selectman Larry Larsen had griddle duty at the pancake breakfast in the Park.

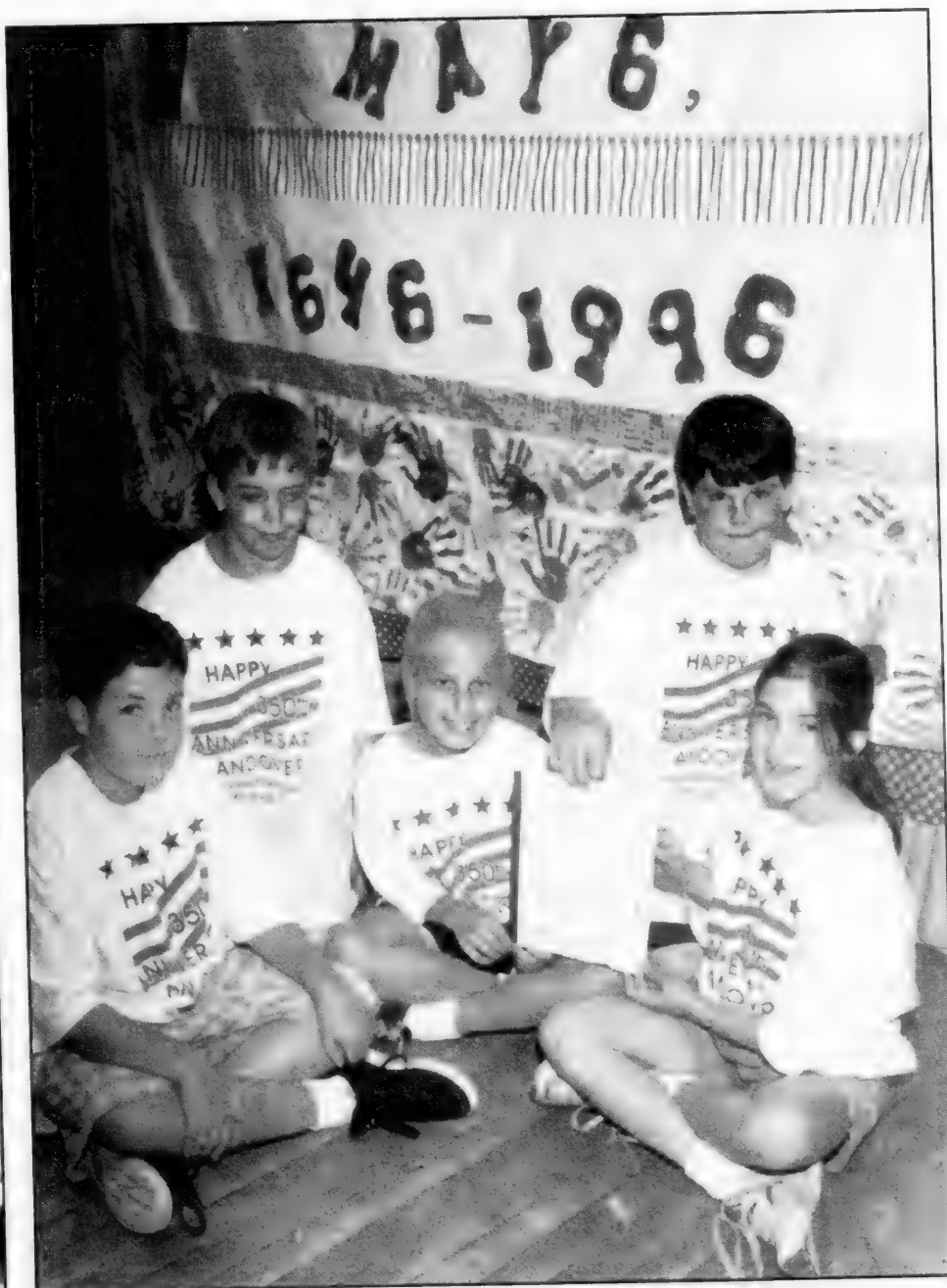


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Chris Renfro, front from left, Brittany Birrell and Deanna Vasilakis, and in back from left, Josh Shaby and Dan Fionte, collaborated on this cover of a 350th book written and illustrated by Holly Plamondon's 5th grade class at West Elementary School.



Photo by Perry Colmore

President Bush spent the afternoon of May 11 at his alma mater, Phillips Academy. Here he greets a PA baseball player Fritz Goetha with, from left, David Chase and Barbara Landis Chase, head of school at PA.

Anniversary banquet

Former President George Bush helped celebrate the birthday of the town, agreeing to be the guest speaker at the 350th Anniversary Banquet May 11. President Bush spent his high school years at Phillips Academy.

A black-tie crowd of 1,100 filled the Volpe Center at Merrimack College. Town Moderator James D. Doherty presided over the program, a sort of town meeting that followed the theme, *Presidents Who Have Passed our Way*.

In a series of vignettes, researched and crafted by Juliet Haines Mofford, local actors portrayed five former presidents - George Washington, Andrew Jackson, Franklin Pierce, Theodore Roosevelt and Calvin Coolidge - who had experienced ties with the town of Andover. Music was provided by the Hanscom Air Force Base Band of Liberty, with Andover soprano Gloria Lyons singing *God Bless America* and *America*.

In his remarks, President Bush said, "Andover is a place where heritage is respected, but you have also met the challenges of a changing world - as is evidenced by the high-tech industries which now call Andover home. You have managed - and I think 'managed' is the key word - to grapple with other issues, such as growth and land use."

He continued, "If I were to sum up the core value here... in one word, I think it would be 'community.' In some towns, in some cities, people find their lives enriched by what their community offers to them. But from my early days here at the Academy, it has struck me that the people of Andover find their strength in what they can offer the community."

The 41st president wished the town well in its "continued hard work of moving Andover into the future. I do so not only as someone who... served as president of the United States," he said. "I do so as someone whose Andover experience as a young man helped to shape a life of commitment to service."



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Former President George Bush was the guest of honor at the 350th Anniversary Banquet at Merrimack College's Volpe Center May 6. Approximately 1,100 residents and others attended the event.



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The Rev. Dr. Calvin Mutti, left, portrayed Calvin Coolidge and Ron Wackowski played Theodore Roosevelt in the presentation of *Presidents Who Have Passed Our Way* at the Anniversary Banquet.



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Rep. Gary Coon, R-Andover, with Wendy Finlayson of Andover and Stephen Colyer, town planning director, at the Anniversary Banquet. Tuxedos and formal gowns were the order of the evening.



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Doug Miller, left, and Leo Blais were ready for a little volleyball after the parking lot behind Old Town Hall was turned into a beach for the afternoon during Main Street Madness.

Main Street Madness

Hordes of young people ran wild in the streets of Andover on June 1, pummeling each other with giant inflatable boxing gloves and foam-covered jousting sticks while onlookers cheered. Children skateboarded; teen-agers beat on volleyballs; some even got off some well-aimed shots – at the hoop, that is, alongside a UMass basketball star. The scene was sheer madness – Main Street Madness, to be exact.

At 8 a.m., Main Street was closed to traffic to give Andover's younger citizens a chance to celebrate a fine spring

day. And celebrate, they did, to the music of area teen bands. They wheeled over skating ramps, dunked a local policeman in a water tank, staged well-padded battles and played volleyball in 100 cubic yards of donated sand that had been dumped in the parking lot behind Old Town Hall. They peeled themselves off Velcro walls and swung upside down from a gyroscope; they even won T-shirts by pigging out on blueberry pie.

By the time the streets were re-opened at 5 p.m., between 4,000 and 5,000 participants had experienced an "awesome day."

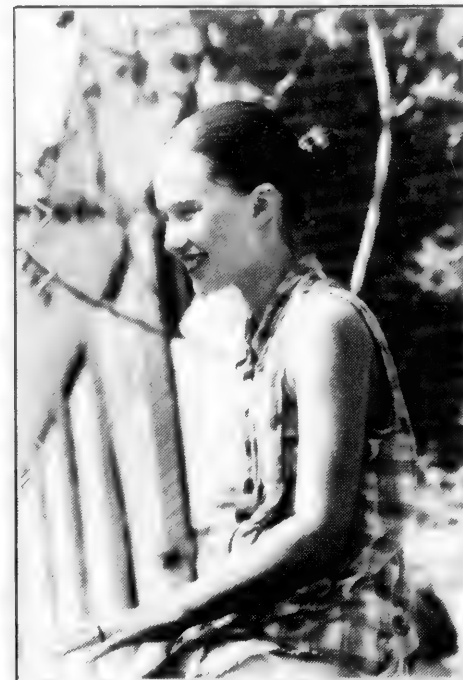


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West Elementary School fourth-grader Brittany Gillespie manages a smile after going into the dunk tank twice during Main Street Madness June 1. By the time the kids had cleaned up after themselves and the streets were re-opened at 5 p.m., between 4,000 and 5,000 participants had experienced an "awesome day." The sand was trucked off to Poms Pond to be used as fill.



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Susanna Daniel, from left, Julia Darling and Michelle Vitale took part in the day's events. Pete Kardasis, at right, of North Andover and a UMass Amherst student took part in the skateboard competition. ►



Bicycle historic tour and races highlight Bike Classic Weekend

More than 500 cycling aficionados of all ages took to the roads on June 22 and 23 to enjoy the first-ever Andover Bike Classic Weekend.

The event opened on Saturday morning with a leisurely, family-oriented 9.3-mile morning historical tour, featuring 25 stops. A number were staffed by volunteer interpreters, often in costume, who spoke about the significance of the sites in town history. The 125 riders were also treated to lemonade stops and a Strawberry Festival (Ballardvale Church) as they traveled at their own pace along a route that began and ended at South Church.

On to the races

From noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, cyclists from throughout New England competed in criterium races on a 1.2-mile loop of downtown streets that had been converted into a professional circuit, complete with fences, hay bales and a video camera to record the order of finishers. Announcer Dick Ring and color man Mike Garrity called the action, as spectators cheered fields of 30 to 75 cyclists at a time through multiple laps of Bartlet, Chestnut and Morton streets.

The professionally-officiated races featured men, women and young bikers, aged 10 to 17, competing in 13 different age and skill categories. Participants in three of the categories



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Getting reading for the Andover Bike Classic Weekend in June were, from left, Melissa, Greg, Brooke and Bill Pennington of Andover; John Kovacs of Andover (in front); Steve Anthony of North Andover; John Tirrell of Melrose; and Barry Greenberg of Stoneham.

were licensed by the United States Cycling Federation.

More than 100 children between the

ages of 2 and 9 competed in their own races on the quarter-mile running track at Doherty Middle School. Clowns

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The Andovers clashed on the field...



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...but international relations were friendly on the sidelines.

Soccer Tournament Weekend hosting Andover...

The British invaded Andover in early September as 137 guests from Andover, England, swarmed into town to play soccer. Players from age 12 through adult competed in friendly

matches for three days, Sept. 1-3. The results of the games are known, if at all, to the participants and their fans alone, but everyone – guests, players and host families – agreed that they'd thorough-

ly enjoyed the chance to extend cleats across the seas.

In spite of Hurricane Edouard, which was wreaking havoc on Cape Cod, only one game had to be canceled,

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Ed and Kathy Dolan, of 9 Wildwood Road, try to keep dry during the soccer tourney vs. Andover, England. Their son, Damian, 16, took part in the games, while Ed refereed one of the games.

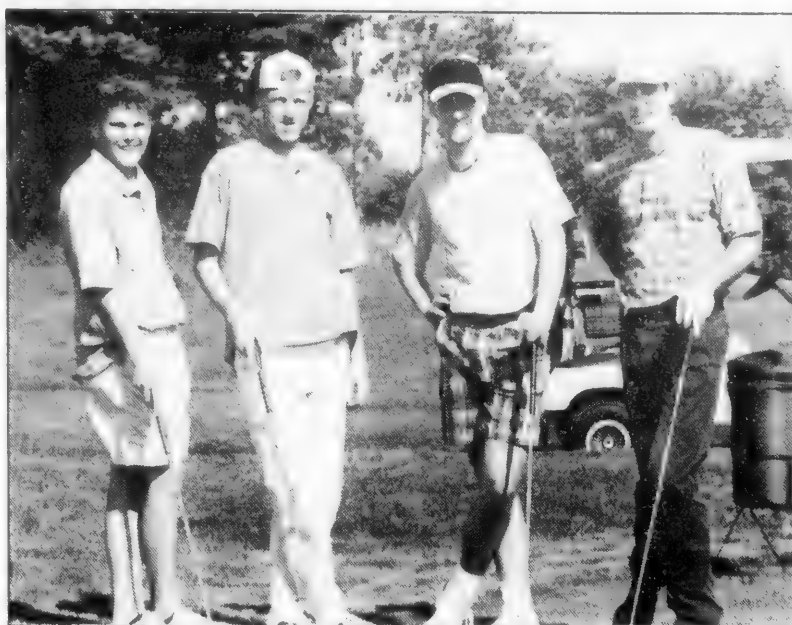


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Golf was also part of the week, on a drier Tuesday afternoon at Andover Country Club. Second-place winners of the golf tourney were, from left, Mark Russo and Pat Murnane of Andover, Mass., Danny Waite of Andover, England, and Mike Menery, an employee at Andover Country Club. Many who took part in the other events of the week attended the banquet with the golfers.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Alan Ginsberg, 14, played for the U-15 team Andover Lasers as a sweeper. His team lost to the British team, but Alan said he didn't mind, that the experience of meeting and playing with the English team was well worth it.

A wet soccer weekend ended with a round of golf

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The visitors also enjoyed a soccer demonstration by New England

Revolution, and made a side trip to Canobie Lake Park.

In addition, 52 game

English golfers took on the locals in a tourney at Andover Country Club on Sept. 4. Afterward, many

of those who had taken part in the exchange enjoyed a banquet at the club.

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South School's float portrayed students as an international cast with a model of the continents of the world.



For this unidentified horn blower, left, and, at right, Andover veterans agent John Lewis, standing under the Mt. Rushmore flag, it doesn't get much better than it did this day.



Medal of Honor recipient and World War II vet Capt. George Street of Andover is chauffeured by Andover High senior, Ron Hajj, 18.

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The UMass marching band passes the Barnard Building on Main Street.

At 1:30 p.m. on Sept. 15, Ed Morrissey, drum major for the Clan MacPherson Scottish Bagpipe Band (and retired Andover postmaster), stepped onto South Main Street at Phillips Academy. Behind him and his 75-year-old organization marched the biggest parade in Andover's history, the 350th Grand Parade.

An estimated crowd of 30,000 curbside spectators and 3,000 participants reveled in the warm sunshine, a delightful contrast to the previous two weeks of soggy, chilly weather – the legacy of a pair of unseasonable off-shore hurricanes. The parade covered its two-and-one-half-mile course to Shawsheen Village in three divisions, representing Andover past, present and future.

Among the featured paraders were victims of the witch hysteria of 1692, dressed in white and walking in pairs; a congregation bearing their church roof above their heads; a host of floats portraying, among other things, patriotic moments and sentiments, the town's

Indian population, clog dancers, everyone's hopes and aspirations for their children, and a huge eagle. There were old cars, old fire engines, and old muskets; horses drilled with young riders and real estate executives drilled with briefcases. And there were bands: fife and drum bands, jazz bands, Dixieland bands, clown bands, military bands, Italian bands, high school marching bands, "Mummers" in feathered costumes and two college bands – the University of Massachusetts and Boston College – with more than 150 members each.

The BC "Screaming Eagles" played a special birthday salute to local BC alumnus and parade committee chairman Jim Doherty.

As the more than 90 bands, floats and foot units filed by the downtown Elm Green Memorial, they were greeted by the sight of Old Glory at her most glorious: The Mount Rushmore flag, which measures 45 by 90 feet, waved above the monument throughout the parade.



It was too perfect a day to stay too serious, as these Andover High cheerleaders show. They are Mara Shiff, left, and Sarah Plamondon, Andover High cheerleader co-captains.



The Andover High School Marching Band passes the Barcelos Building on Main Street.



The Pops perform at the Volpe Center Sept. 21.

Volpe Center hosts Boston Pops concert

On Sept. 21, conductor Bruce Hangen stood before the Boston Pops Orchestra and raised his baton, and the nearly 4,000 people packed into the Merrimack College Volpe Center sat back to enjoy the concert. A few, however, recognized the event as more than an entertaining evening of American music: for the Pops Committee, it represented the culmination of three years of intense and detailed planning.

Now, on this warm final night of summer, it came down to Mr. Hangen, the Pops, and the music. And, with the drop of a baton, the magic began.

Closing out the 350th year Sixteen years in Andover

The following text was read by Dale Edmonds, of 123 Salem St., at the closing ceremonies for the 350th Anniversary Celebration.

To begin with, it was always the trees, the giant elms lining the main street from the east - North Reading - their late summer leaves wavering in the sunlight in glistening banners of gold against a deep blue sky, welcoming this new family into this new place, this town we call Andover.

In December we huddled on the people-lined walks shivering to the rhythm of holiday songs drummed out in marching beat by the high school band beneath a cold and flurrying sky. The aroma of hot cider and cinnamon sticks permeating the crowded shops beckoned us inside to the warmth and cheer of the holiday spirit.

One year after another we stood our children against the weathered fence, snapping their first day of school into Kodak memories until their new maturity hid the fence completely, signaling a time to move on in this place, this home, this town we call Andover.

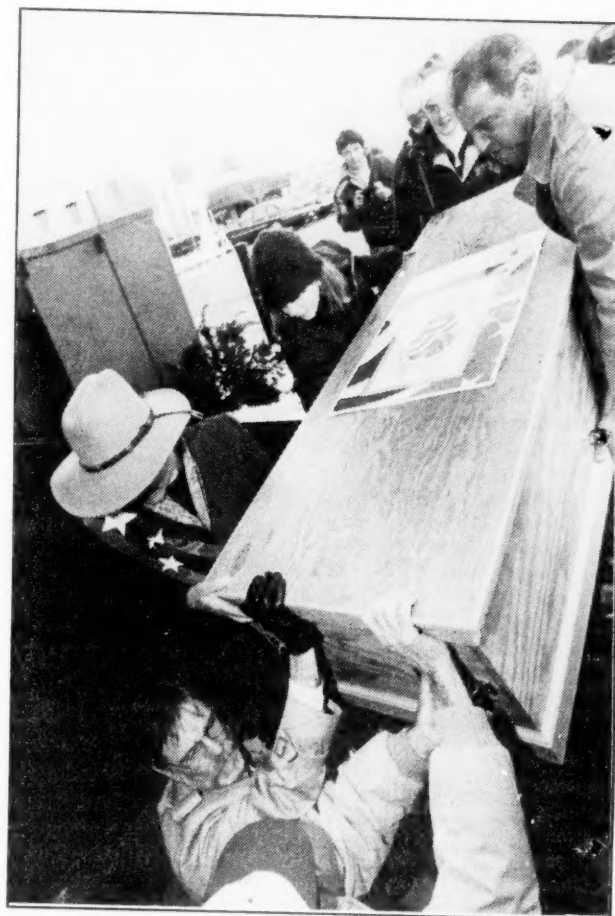
Sixteen years of seasons; 16 Halloweens with good neighbor Benny Sayles and family, anticipating Benny's late arrival with the remnants from his grab-bag goodie bin, soups, nuts, cupcakes - all the stuff the local ghouls never took. Sixteen red-pickup years, sharing conversation with this landmark landscaper from another era. Sixteen years of backyard wanderings and Monday morning trash-day marauding from our faithful next-door Irish Setter companion, Molly. No wag-tail, tell-tale paper trail lining the lawns of Salem Street next spring, for this was Molly's final season. And 16 years of building, building, building - houses the size of castles cut out this good land, forcing foxes from their

dens, sending them down snow-blown driveways on frigid windy March afternoons.

In those years around this farmer's town we learned the names and places like Poms Pond, Shattuck Farm, Memorial Hall, PA, ASA, DCS, ASM, PTO, Project Charlie, Prop 2%. All brought special substance to our lives. Where would we be without the Horribles Parade, Arts in the Park and Clown Town!

And for so many of those seasons it was soccer, soccer and more soccer, indoor, outdoor, six-on-six, traveling teams, Spirit teams, school teams and tournament dreams. Late autumn afternoons beneath a blue and leaf-shimmering sky I ran the fields officiating this game and that game. Sunday mornings spent down at Balmoral, pushing aging legs with fellow over-the-hill players, sucking wind and oranges, then stopping at the Spa for the papers, catching the latest news from the *Townsmen* and *Eagle Tribune* about the events that happen in this place, this town, this Andover.

And now another late autumn leads us down the path of burning leaves and gray squirrel mornings. Thanksgiving looms on the horizon lost to the reds and greens of CVS, Santas. And here in this Old Town Hall a history is woven into the lives of you and me, and all those who call this place home, where gourmet coffee is drunk from gourmet cups with gourmet bagels in gourmet cars that drive gourmet-capped children to gourmet schools to the subwoofer beat of gourmet Rap, until we too are lost to the weight of our own winter dreams. And somewhere deep in the hills the bear slumbers on wild berry, waiting for a new and lingering light to enter us into yet another spring in this Merrimack Valley, in this place, this town, this home we call Andover.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

A brief parade and closing ceremonies wound down the 350th celebration Sunday, Dec. 8, with the entombment of a time capsule in the basement of Old Town Hall. Lowering the capsule are, from bottom, Buzz Stapczynski, town manager; James Batchelder, a member of the Andover Historical Society; Robin Detterman, AHS student; and Selectman James M. Barenboim.

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